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Takemoto Izumi

Hello. I'm Takemoto Izumi. Let's skip the formalities.
Well, ***Transistor Venus*** is on its fifth volume already.
This volume is about Enus's past.
Enus as a girl.
She does quite a bit in this one.
Or maybe not.
Please enjoy it.
Ujauja

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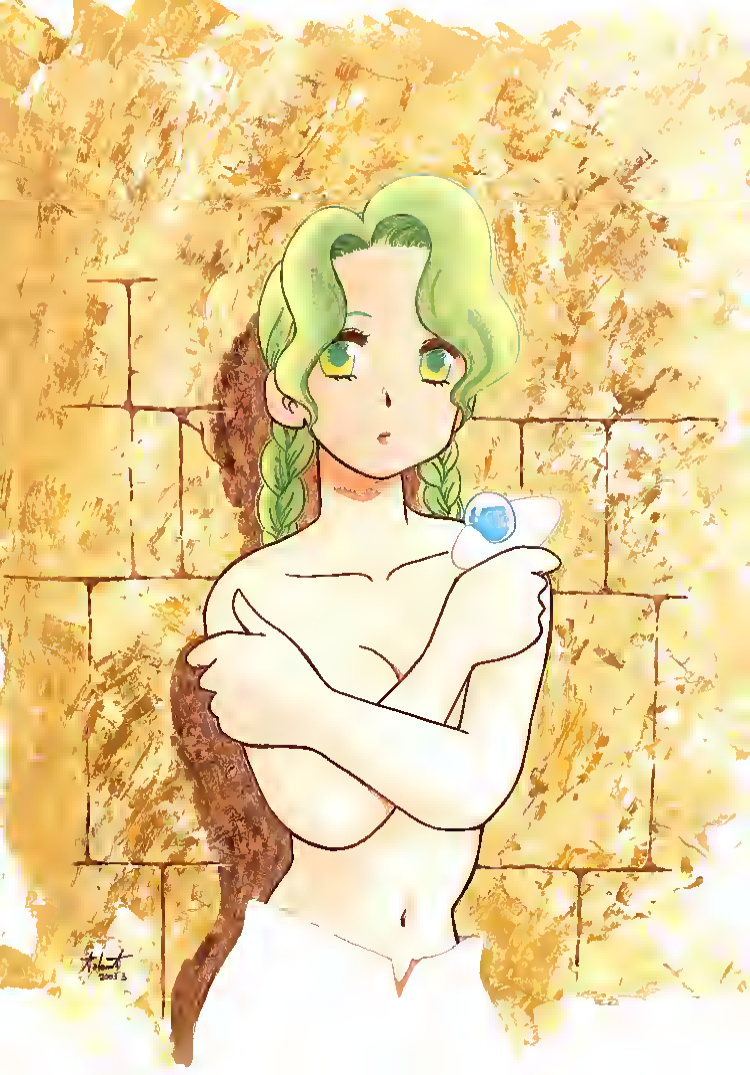

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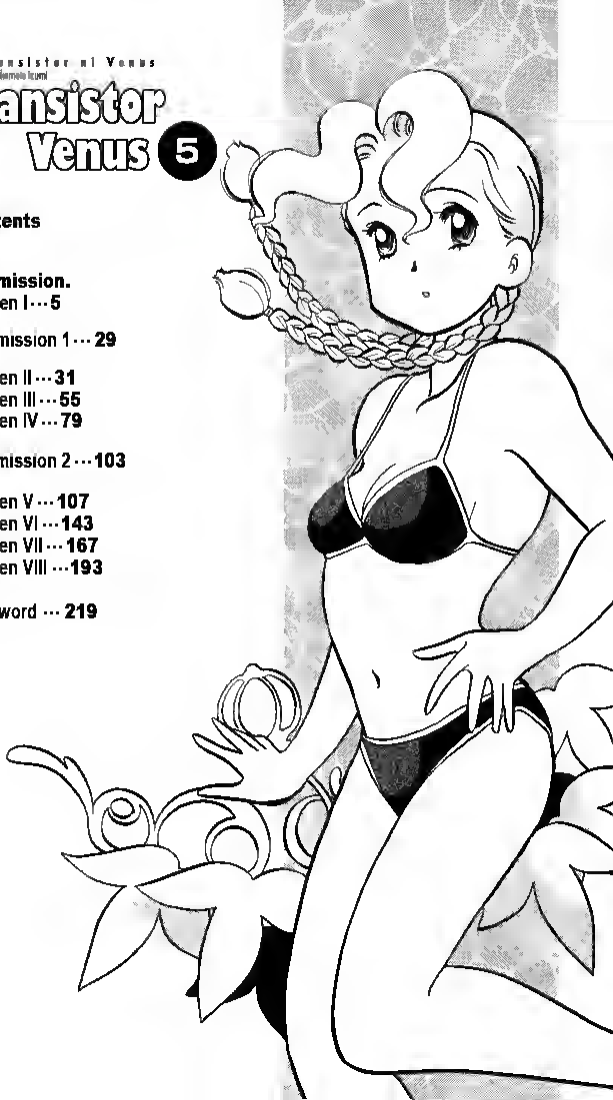

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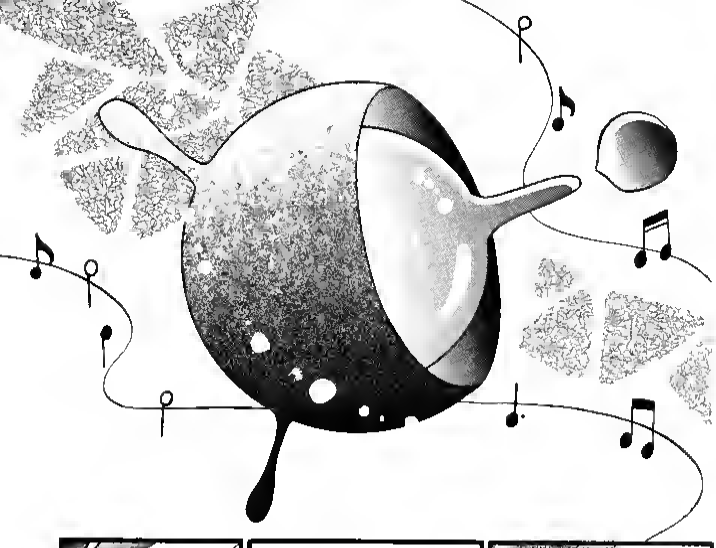

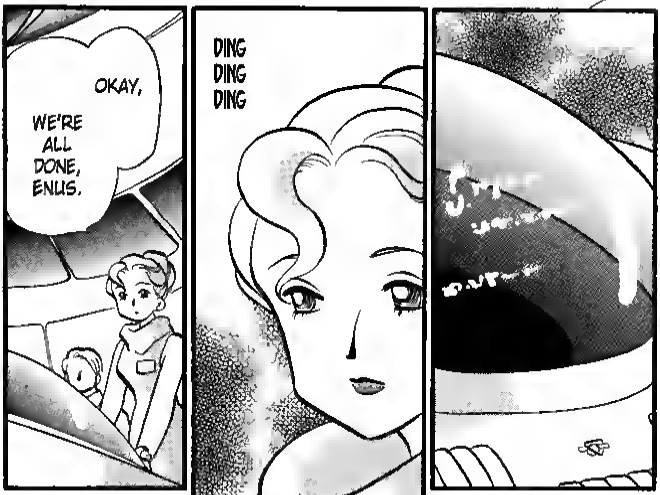
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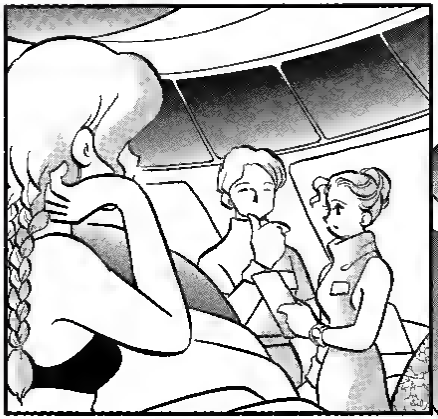
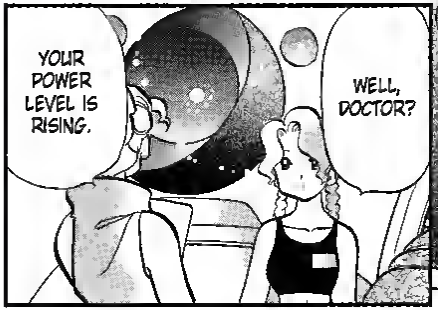
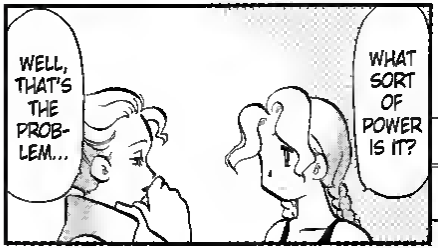
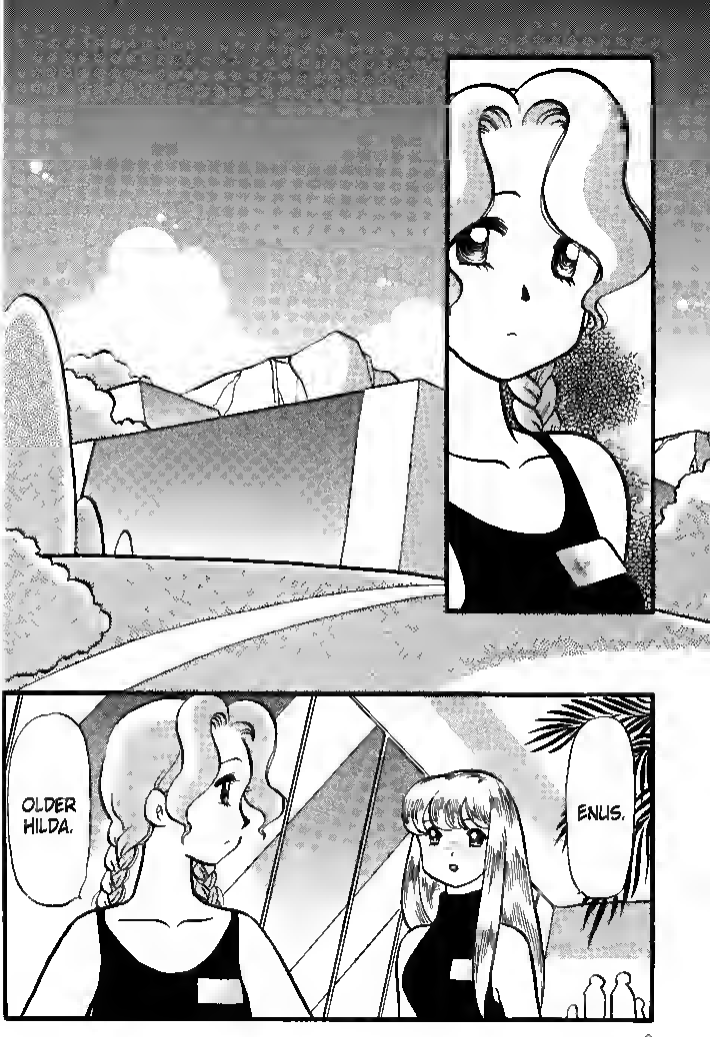
WE'RE ALL DONE, ENUS.
DING DING DING

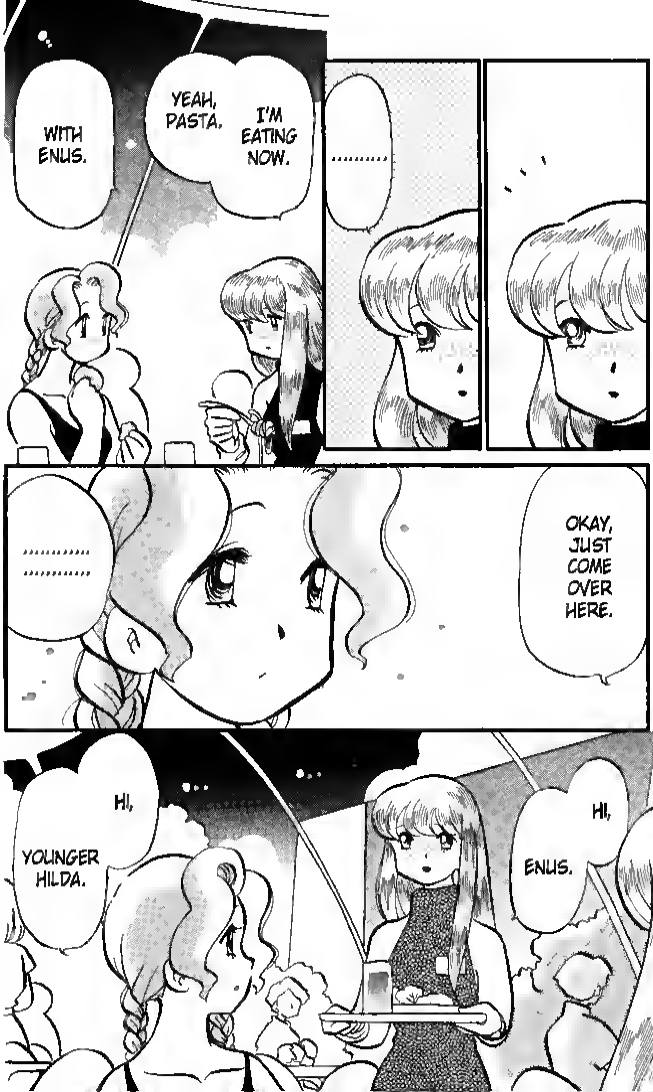



YOUR POWER LEVEL IS RISING.
WELL, DOCTOR?


WELL, THAT'S THE PROB-LEM...
WHAT SORT OF POWER IS IT?

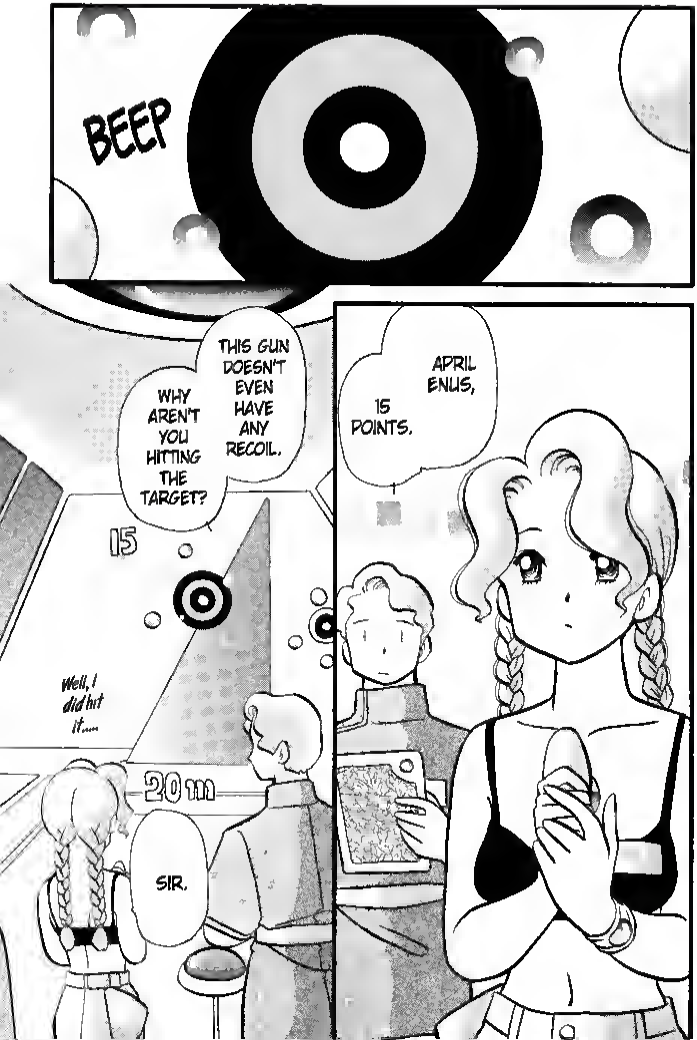

OLDER HILDA.
ENUS.

HOW'S IT GOING? MAKING PROG-RESS?
MORE OR LESS.
WE DON'T KNOW WHAT MY POWER IS, THOUGH.
IS THERE MUCH POINT IN TRAINING IT, THEN?
NO IDEA.
WELL .....
I GUESS AN AGENT WITH POWERS IS WORTH MORE THAN ONE WITHOUT, EVEN IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY ARE.
Or not?


WITH ENUS.
YEAH, PASTA.
I'M EATING NOW.
.....
OKAY, JUST COME OVER HERE.
.....
.....
HI, YOUNGER HILDA.
HI, ENUS.

OH, WE WERE TALKING OUT LOUD?
IF YOU'RE TALKING OUT LOUD,
USING YOUR TELEPATHIC CONNECTION IS NO DIFFERENT FROM JUST USING A COMMUNICATOR.
It is the year 2264 A.V.
Humanity's reach has spread to other star systems.

The major powers are fighting amongst themselves for influence, as ever.
And there's a particular group of people who always have plenty of work in both peacetime and wartime.
The intelligence agents.
April Snow
is one of their number.
an operative for the Alliance government.


BEEP
APRIL ENUS, 15 POINTS.
THIS GUN DOESN'T EVEN HAVE ANY RECOIL.
WHY AREN'T YOU HITTING THE TARGET?
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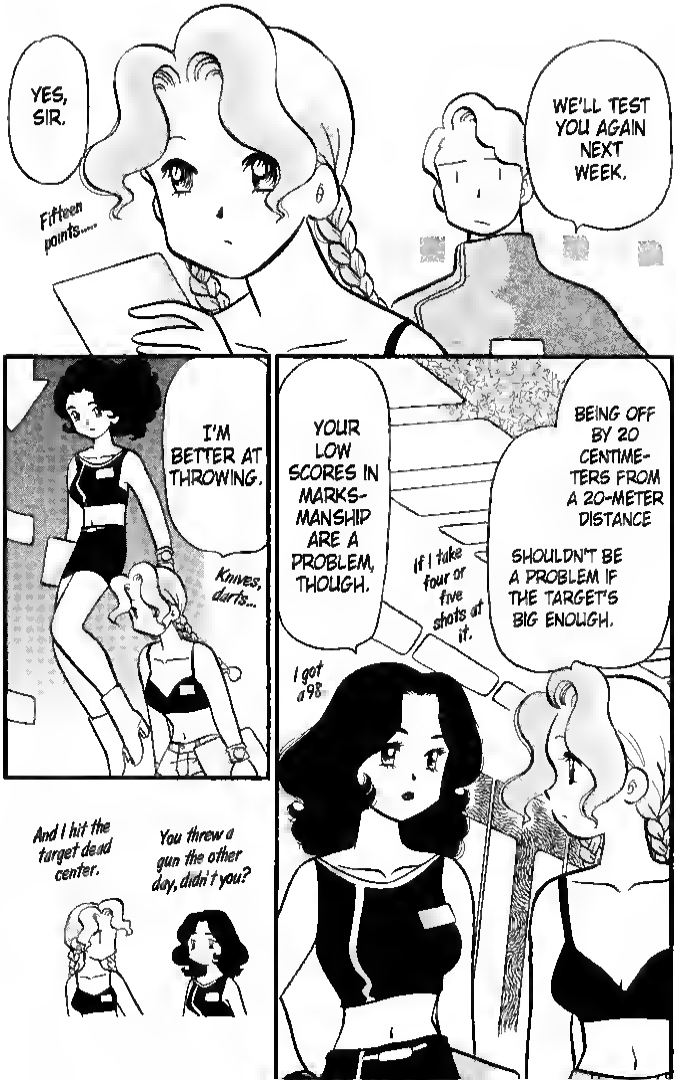
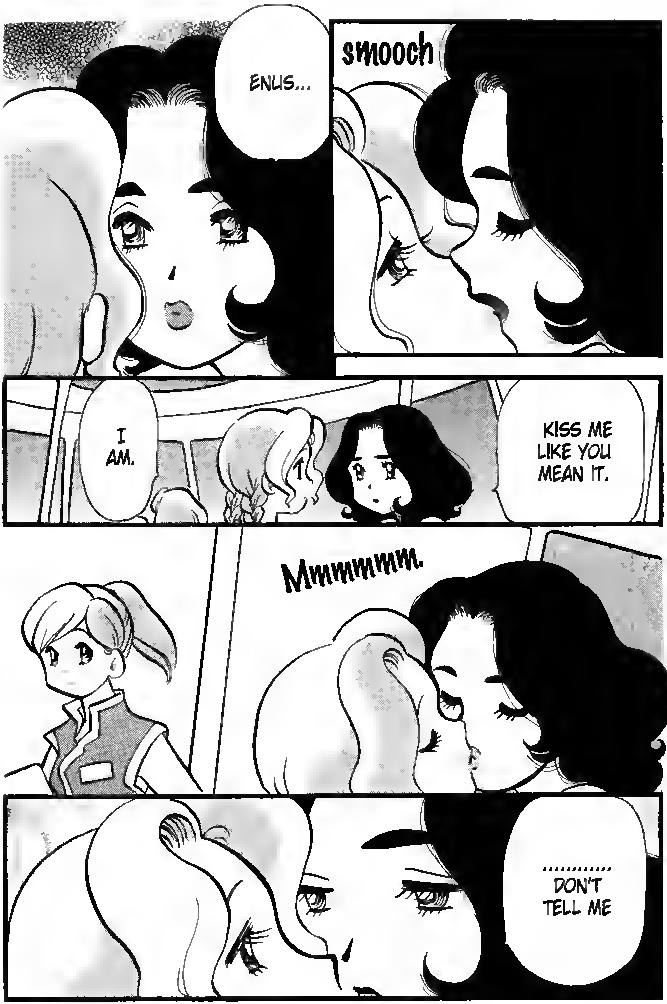
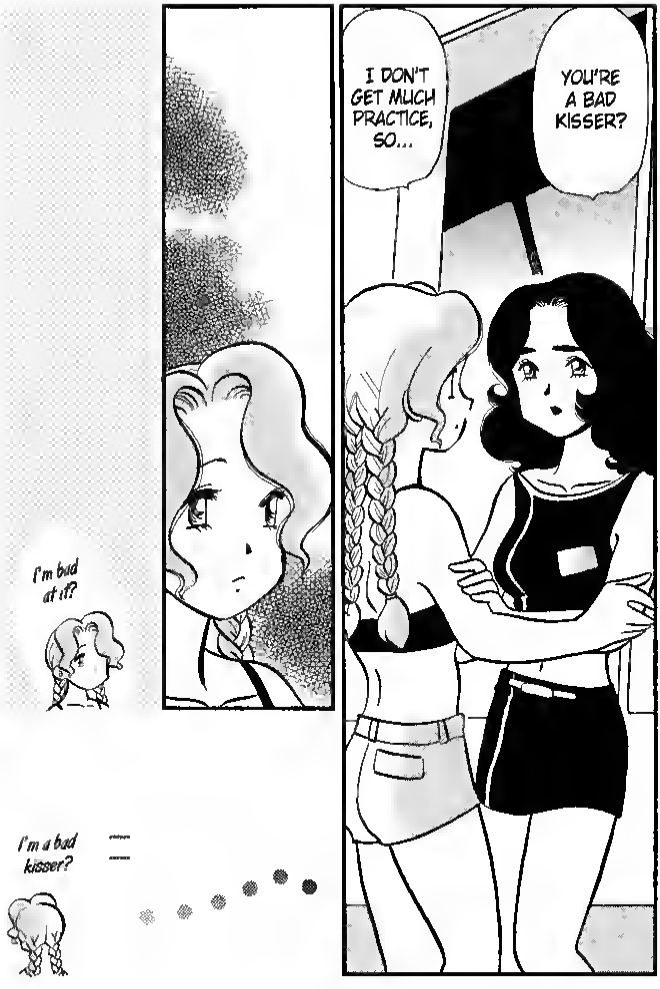
Well, I did hit it....
20 m
SIR.


YES, SIR.
Fifteen points.....
WE'LL TEST YOU AGAIN NEXT WEEK.
I'M BETTER AT THROWING.
Knives, darts...
YOUR LOW SCORES IN MARKSMANSHIP ARE A PROBLEM, THOUGH.
If I take four or five shots at it,
I got a 98.
BEING OFF BY 20 CENTIMETERS FROM A 20-METER DISTANCE SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM IF THE TARGET'S BIG ENOUGH.
And I hit the target dead center.
You threw a gun the other day, didn't you?

I REMEMBER, AKIYORUHIME.
I promised that if I couldn't get over 20 points, I'd...
You said that if you couldn't get over 20, you'd...
BUT ANYWAY, A PROMISE IS A PROMISE.
kiss

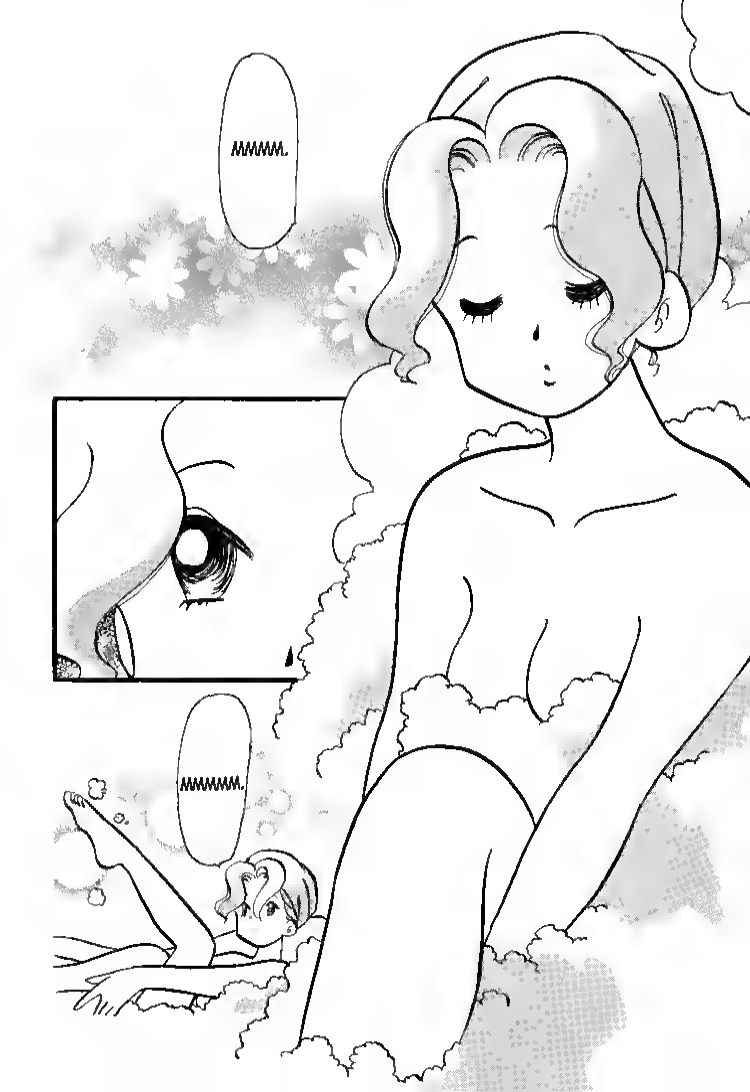

ENUS...
smooch
I AM.
KISS ME LIKE YOU MEAN IT.
Mmmmm
.....
DON'T TELL ME

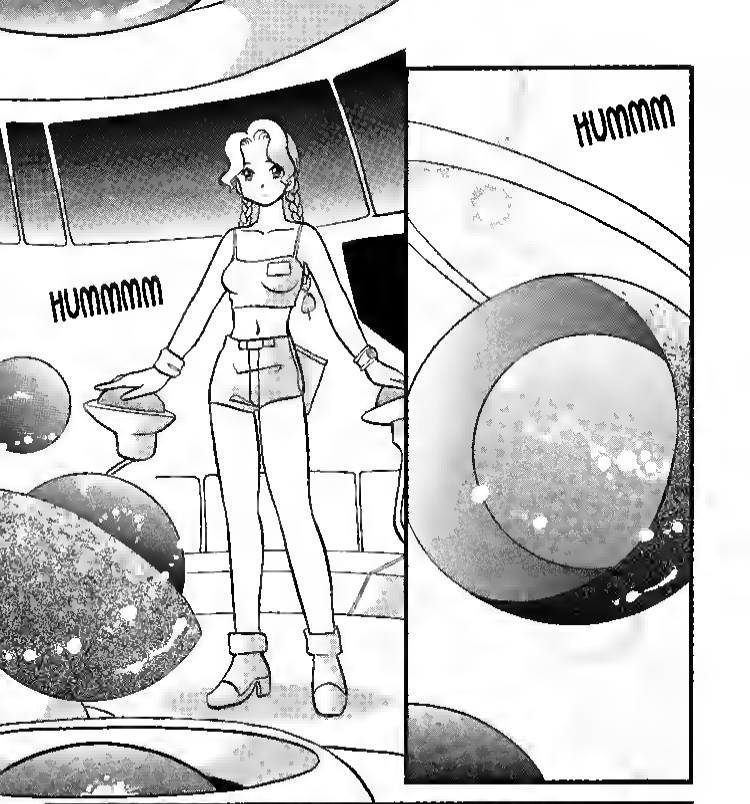

YOU'RE A BAD KISSER?
I DON'T GET MUCH PRACTICE, SO...
I'm bad at it?
I'm a bad kisser?

ONE MINUTE, 12 SECONDS.
BLUB
BLUB
gasp
NOT BAD, ENUS.

A promise is a promise
I WAS FASTER.
I CAN HOLD MINE FOR A MINUTE AND 48 SECONDS.
Ugh. I hate being underwater.
I can hold mine for two minutes and two seconds.
I'd die.
WHY .....
IS AKIYORUHIME GOING AROUND KISSING EVERYONE?
BECAUSE SHE LIKES KISSING. RIGHT?
SHE LIKES GIRLS.

kiss
SHE TOLD ME I WAS A BAD KISSER.
Are you?
Are you?
Oh. I'm a bad kisser...
Yeah, you are.
You are.
smoooch
WELL, WHATEVER. IT DOESN'T MATTER.
BEING A GOOD KISSER WOULD COME IN HANDY.
IT WOULD.
In our line of work.


MMMM.
MMMMM.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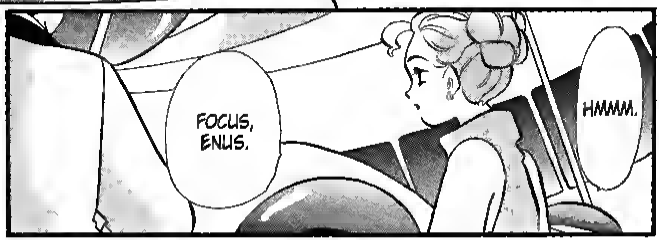
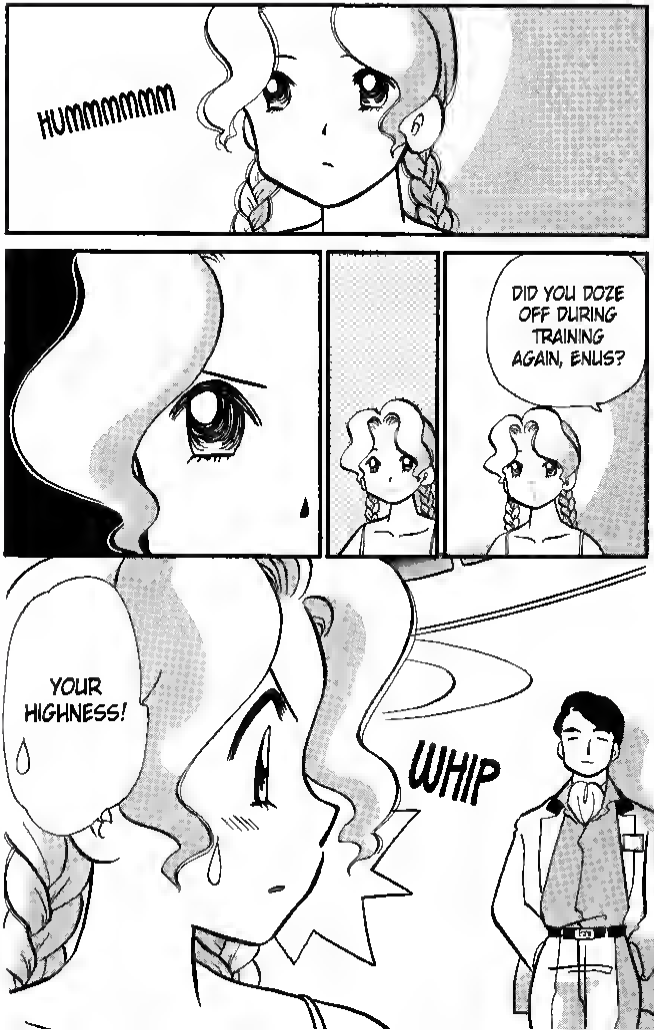
HUMMMM


FOCUS, ENUS.
HMMM.


HUMMMMMMM
DID YOU DOZE OFF DURING TRAINING AGAIN, ENUS?
YOUR HIGHNESS!
WHIP

I JUST GOT IN THIS MORNING.
WH-WHEN DID YOU RETURN?
I'LL BE IN CHARGE OF YOUR PARANORMAL TRAINING AGAIN.

Y-YES, SIR!
HIS HIGH-NESS ROMALY ANAS HSE...
WAS
YOUR FIRST TEACHER, RIGHT?
FOR YOUR POWERS.
HM? ENUS?
..... IT'S BEST

I DON'T SEE WHY NOT .....
CAN I KISS YOU?
YES...?
TO BE A GOOD KISSER, RIGHT?
It doesn't happen that fast.
Am I getting better?
WHAT?
... Well,
WELL?

It is the year 2264 A.D.
April Emu is 16 years old.
TO BE CONTINUED

The Making of "Pre-mission: Sixteen"

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ENUS HAS NO BOOBS.
HUH?
AS I WAS DRAWING THE FIRST CHAPTER OF THIS VOLUME, I NOTICED SOMETHING WHEN I WAS LOOKING THROUGH THE HALF-FINISHED MANUSCRIPT...
I'M SURE IT MUST LOOK LIKE A GIMMICK,
WELL, THIS STORY IS ABOUT THE 16-YEAR-OLD APRIL ENUS.
That was the first thing out of my mouth.....
...Well, why don't you?
I'D HAVE MADE HER 14.
IF I WAS REALLY DOING THAT,
REALLY?
BUT IT'S NOT.
14

W-WELL, ANYWAY...
AND SHE CAN'T HAVE ANY GROWN-UP KISSES UNLESS SHE'S OVER 15.
I FIGURED I'D DO A STORY ABOUT A YOUNGER ENUS.
Well, it takes a long time for her appearance to change.
My appearance?
You mean the braids?
WELL, ENUS HAS NO ENERGY,
SO I FIGURED MAYBE SHE'D DO A BIT MORE IF SHE WAS YOUNGER .....
But a leopard can't change its spots, huh?
His Highness Romaly Anas Ase
Please think of him like the spies Michael Caine plays in movies. (Except Austin Powers 3.)

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Chapter 33

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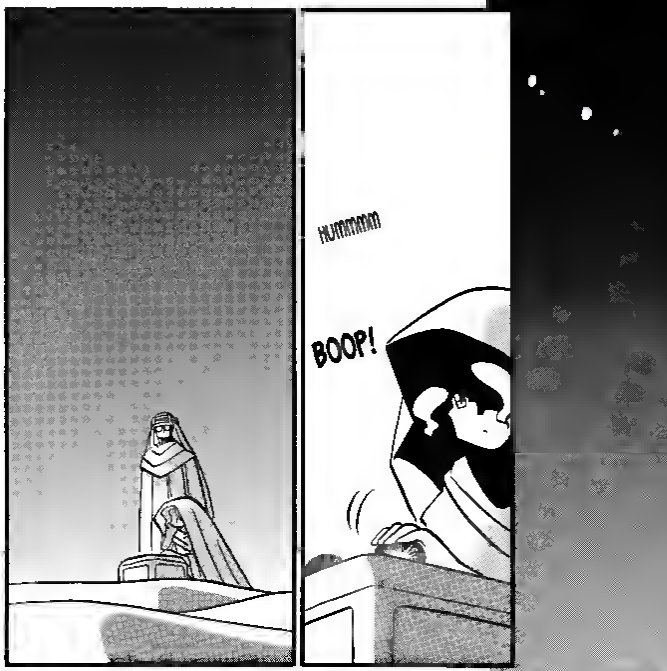

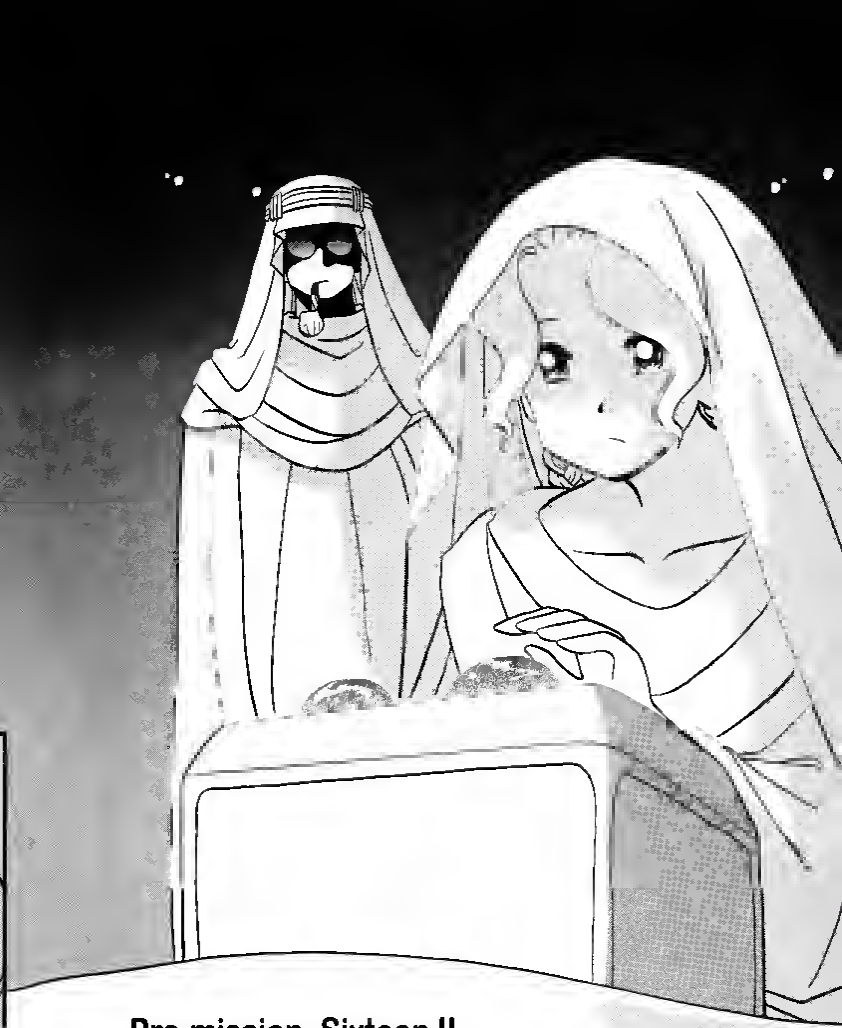

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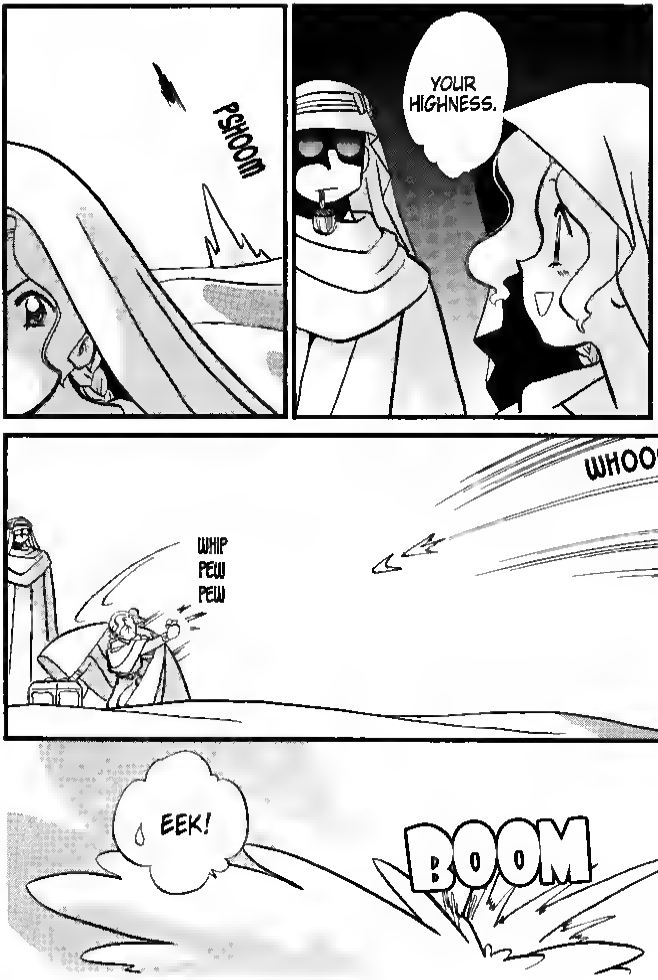
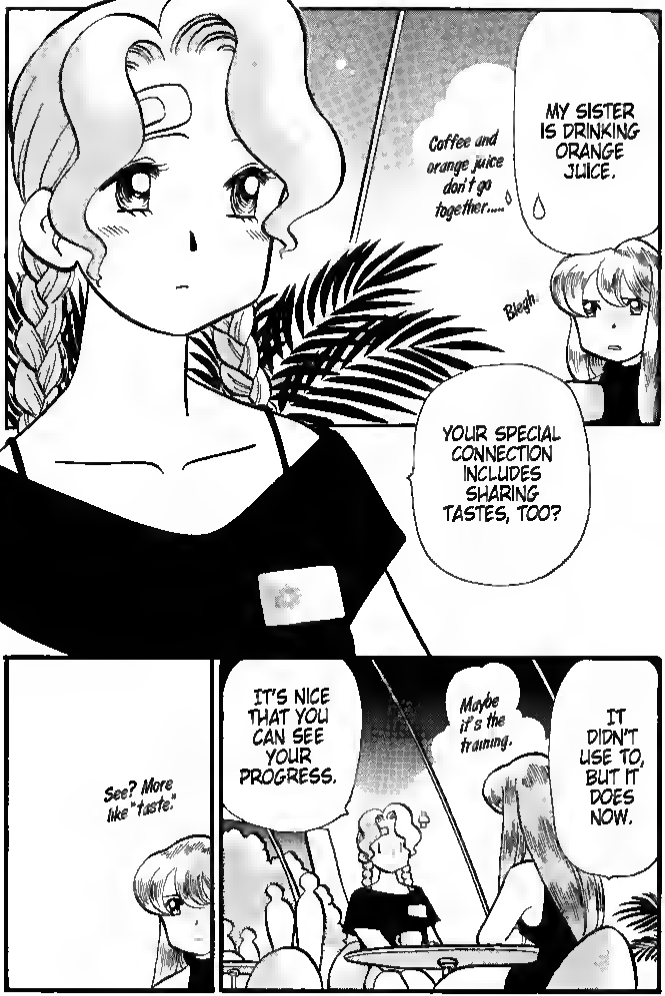
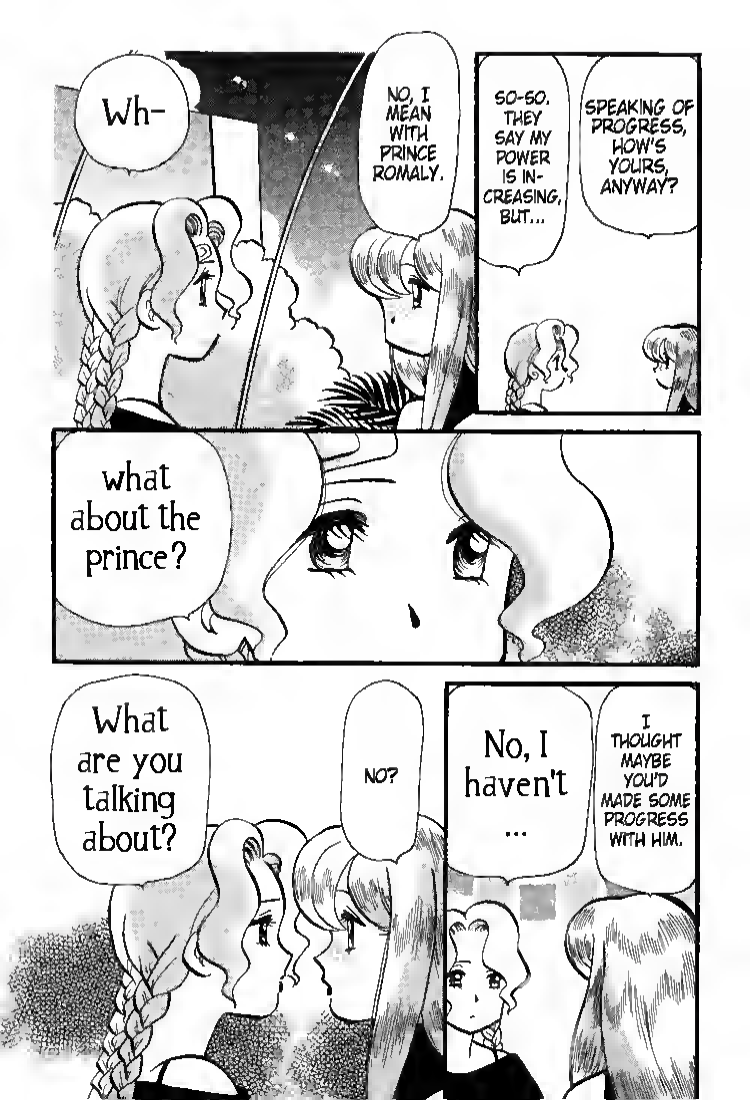
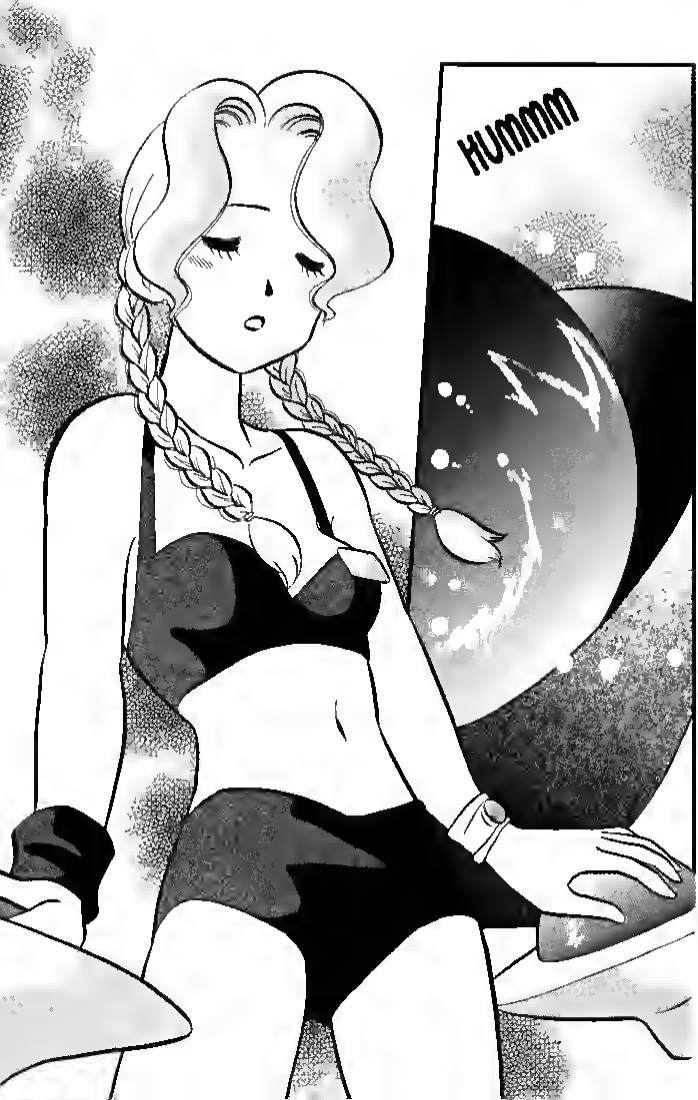

PSHOOM
YOUR HIGHNESS.
WHOOSH
WHIP
PEW
PEW
EEK!
BOOM

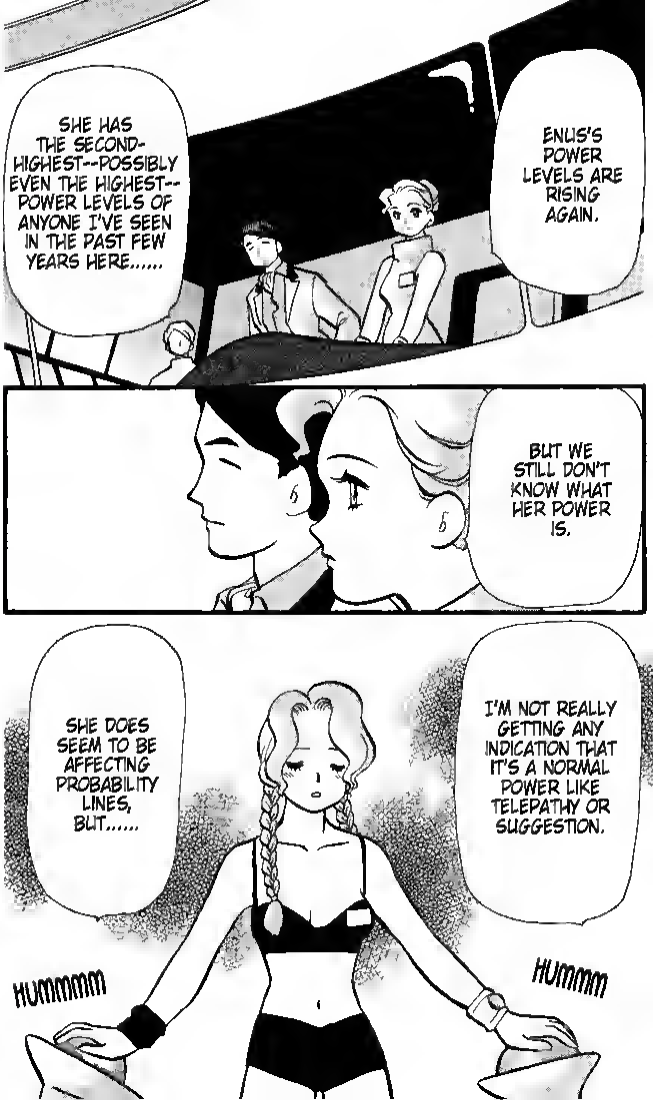
URGH.
HEY,
I'M HAVING COFFEE RIGHT NOW!
WHAT'S WRONG, YOUNGER HILDA?


MY SISTER IS DRINKING ORANGE JUICE.
Coffee and orange juice don't go together.....
Blegh
YOUR SPECIAL CONNECTION INCLUDES SHARING TASTES, TOO?
IT DIDN'T USE TO, BUT IT DOES NOW.
Maybe it's the training.
IT'S NICE THAT YOU CAN SEE YOUR PROGRESS.
See? More like "taste."

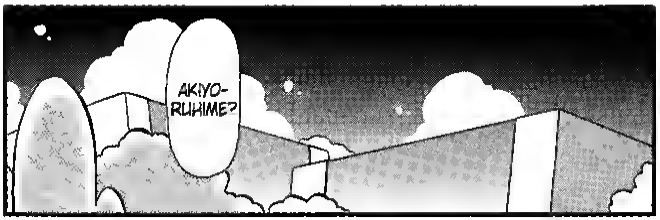

Wh-
NO, I MEAN WITH PRINCE ROMALY.
SO-SO. THEY SAY MY POWER IS IN-CREASING, BUT...
SPEAKING OF PROGRESS, HOW'S YOURS, ANYWAY?
what about the prince?
What are you talking about?
NO?
No, I haven't ...
I THOUGHT MAYBE YOU'D MADE SOME PROGRESS WITH HIM.

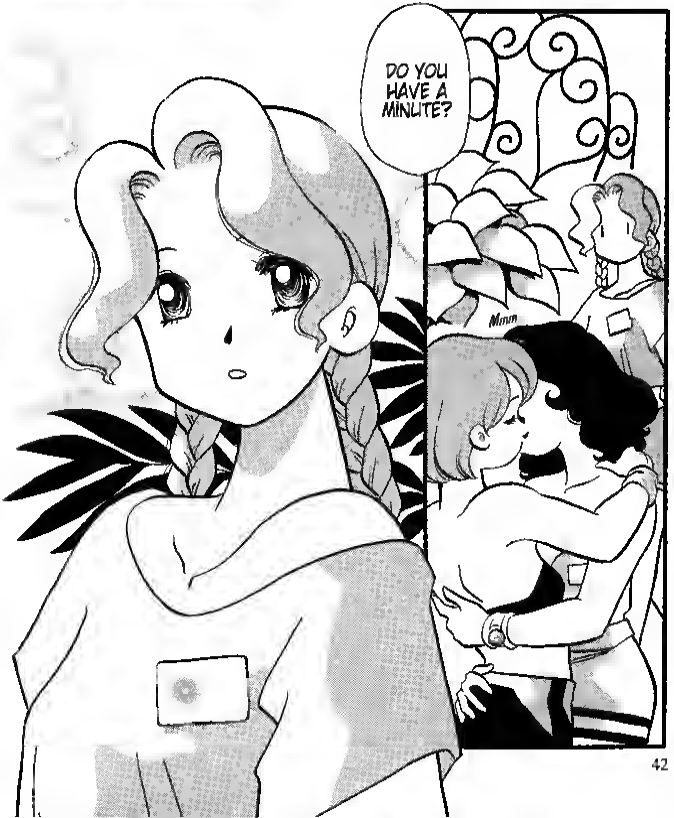
Your High-ness.
ENUS.
IT'S NEARLY TIME FOR YOUR AFTERNOON TRAINING.
YES, SIR!
YES, SIR!
YES, SIR!
SMACK
CRASH
WHAM

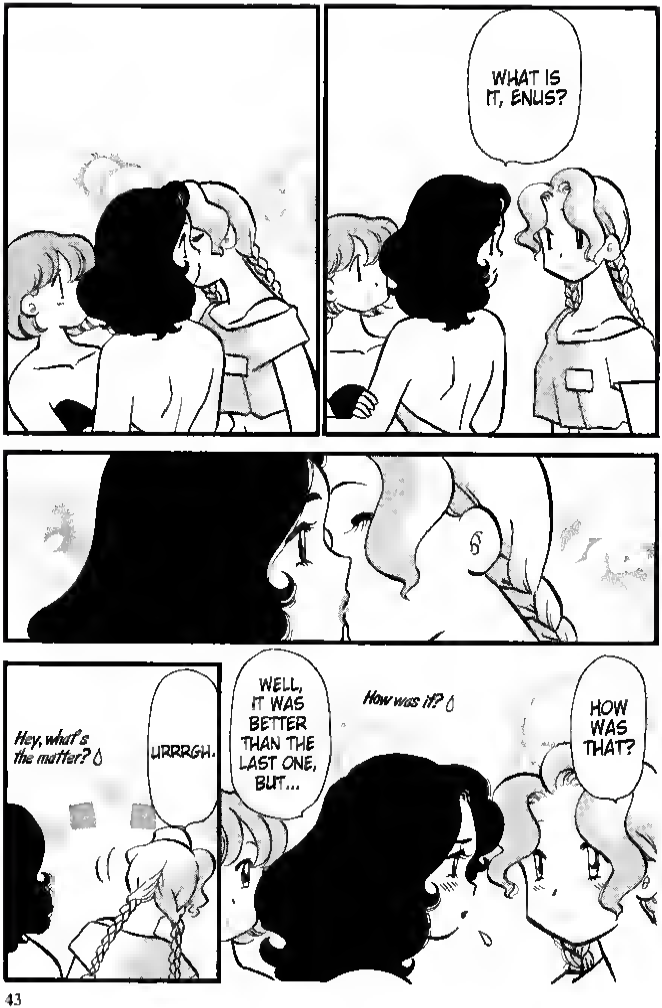

HUMMM


ENJU'S POWER LEVELS ARE RISING AGAIN.
SHE HAS THE SECOND-HIGHEST--POSSIBLY EVEN THE HIGHEST--POWER LEVELS OF ANYONE I'VE SEEN IN THE PAST FEW YEARS HERE.....
BUT WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT HER POWER IS.
I'M NOT REALLY GETTING ANY INDICATION THAT IT'S A NORMAL POWER LIKE TELEPATHY OR SUGGESTION.
SHE DOES SEEM TO BE AFFECTING PROBABILITY LINES, BUT.....
HUMMMM
HUMMM

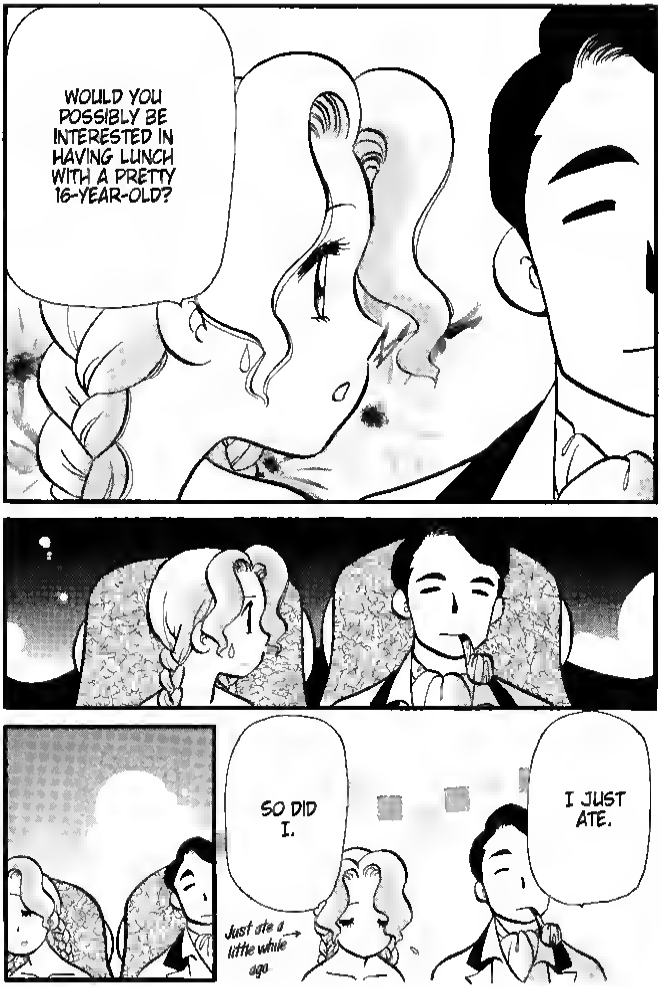
IT'S TRUE THAT THE POWER INCREASE IN HER TRAINING HASN'T LED TO A PROPORTIONAL INCREASE IN HER GOOD LUCK.
BUT HER LUCK ISN'T SO GOOD THAT IT COULD BE HER SPECIAL POWER.
SHE DOES HAVE GOOD INTUITION,
SHE ONLY HAS A 62% ACCURACY RATE WHEN CHOOSING BETWEEN TWO ALTERNATIVES.
Which is the right one....?
She has to choose between red and blue.
AND UNTIL WE KNOW WHAT HER POWER IS,
SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO CONTROL IT.


AKIYO-RUHIME?


DO YOU HAVE A MINUTE?
Mmm


WHAT IS IT, ENUS?
HOW WAS THAT?
How was it?
WELL, IT WAS BETTER THAN THE LAST ONE, BUT...
URRRGH.
Hey, what's the matter?

EXCUSE ME, YOUR HIGHNESS.
WHAT IS IT, ENUS?
U-UM, WELL...


WOULD YOU POSSIBLY BE INTERESTED IN HAVING LUNCH WITH A PRETTY 16-YEAR-OLD?
I JUST ATE.
SO DID I.
Just ate a little while ago

RUFF!
♡

EEEEEK!
Ruff!♡
Ruff!
Ruff!♡ Ruff!♡
SLOBBER
SLOBBER
Ruff ruff!♡
MM-HMM.
Y-YOUR HIGH-♢NESS~~!

STAY WITH THESE DOGS FOR A BIT.
Ruff ruff!
LICK!
LICK
UHH
WELL .....
WELL?
SHE HAS A HIGH AFFINITY WITH DOGS,
BUT IT'S WITHIN THE NORMAL RANGE.
HARRY!
RUFF! ♡

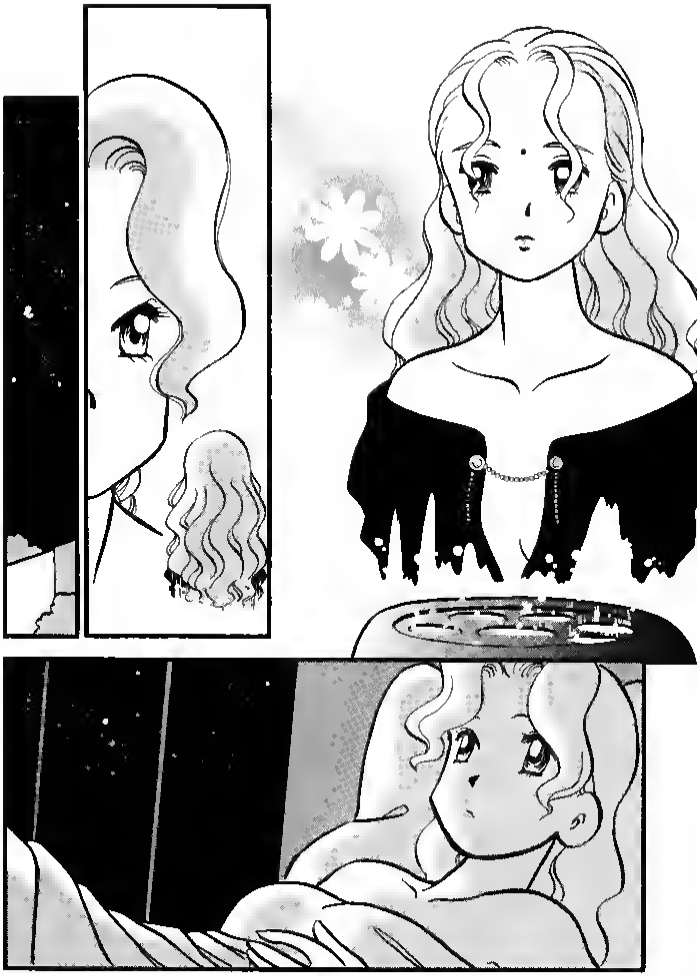
REPORT.
RUFF RUFF!
RUFF!
RUFF!
SHE DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE A CANINE TELEPATH.
WHAT TEST DID YOU USE?
THE DOGS HAVE BEEN SHOUTING TO HER THAT THERE'S A MOUSE UNDER THE CUSHION.
ENUS,
Ruff ruff ruff!
THERE'S A MOUSE
UNDER THE CUSHION.
EEK!

sigh

.....
Ruff! Ruff!
Ruff! Ruff!
Ruff! Ruff!
RUFF!
FLAIL FLAIL
SLIP
JUMP
Ruff! Ruff!
Ruff! Ruff! Ruff!

hissss!
SQUIRM
SQUIRM
OUCH!
Ruff! Ruff! Ruff!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
LET'S GO, ENLIS.
What's wrong?
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO GET MAD AT ME...

YOUR OLD TEACHER?
I THINK I'LL BE ASKING MY OLD TEACHER TO COME HELP WITH YOUR TRAINING.
AND ENUS,
SO WE'LL BE COMING HERE AGAIN.
THEY HAVE PLENTY MORE TESTS THEY CAN TRY.
YES, SIR.



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KEKEKEKEKE
KE
SPLASH
EEK!

EEEEK!
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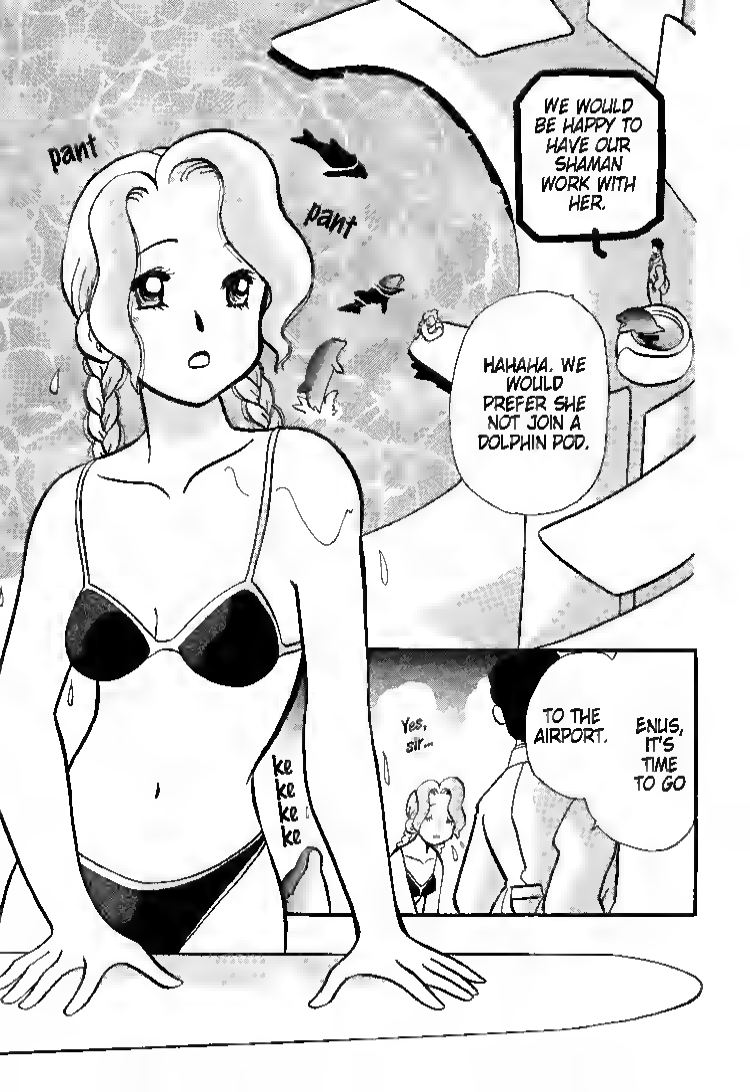
KE.
WELL, MR. OLLERN?
YES, THAT'S THE PROBLEM.
SHE HAS NO TELE-PATHIC BOND WITH US.
ALL WE CAN DETERMINE IS THAT SHE POSSESSES SOME MANNER OF UNUSUAL POWER.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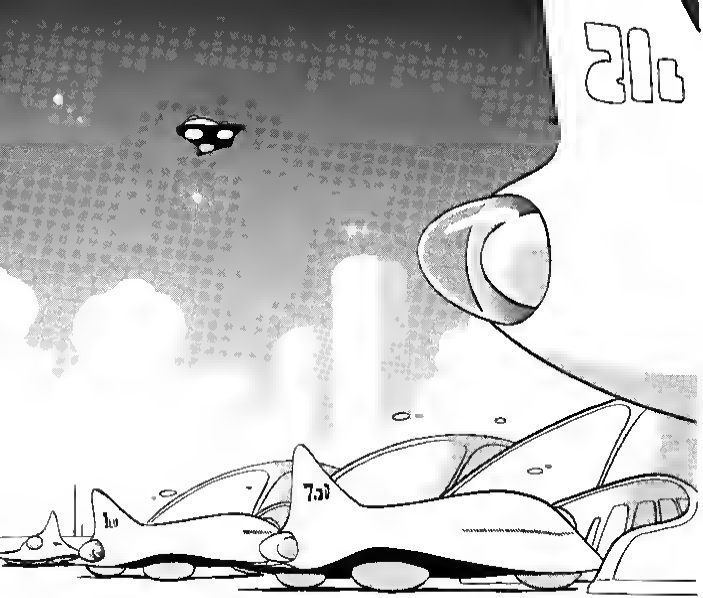
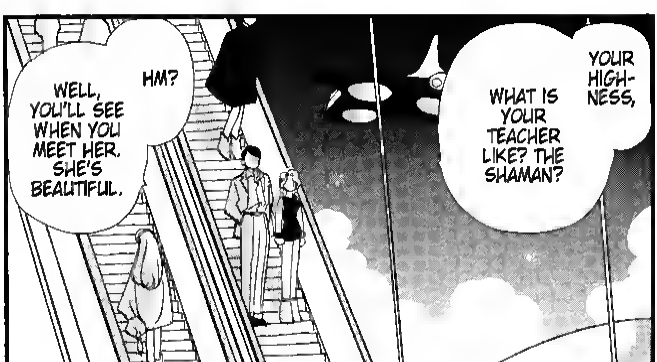
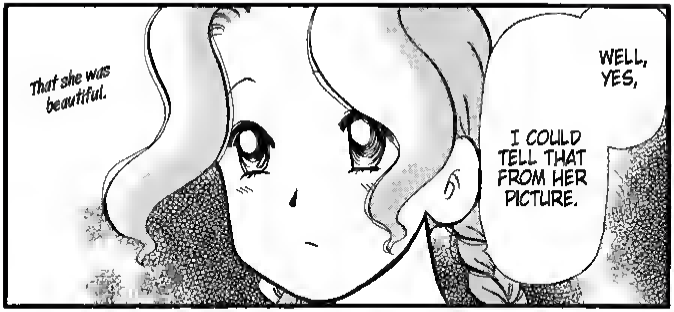
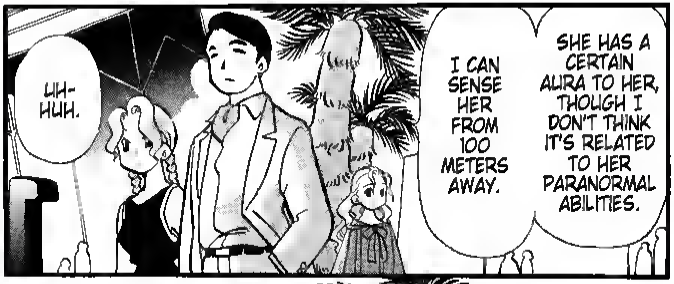
WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE OUR SHAMAN WORK WITH HER.
HAHAHA. WE WOULD PREFER SHE NOT JOIN A DOLPHIN POD.
ENLIS, IT'S TIME TO GO
TO THE AIRPORT.
Yes, sir...

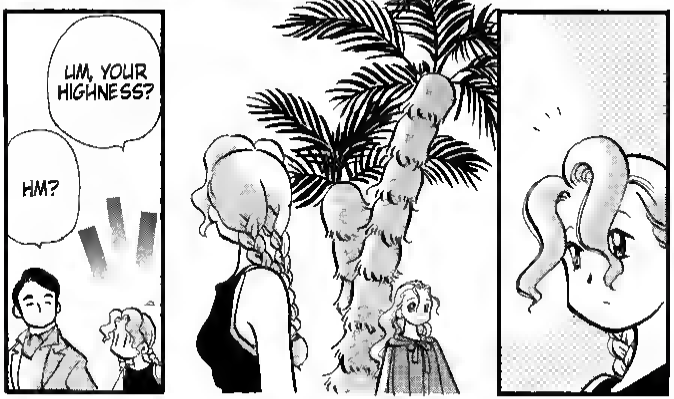
WHAT DID THEY SAY, YOUR HIGHNESS?
THE FEDERATION OF DOLPHINS WANTS YOU, APPARENTLY.
I DON'T KNOW IF I COULD STAND HAVING FISH FOR BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND DINNER...
DON'T TAKE THEIR OFFER SERIOUSLY. THEY'LL NEVER FOLLOW THROUGH ON IT.
WELL, LET'S GO.
MY TEACHER'S SHUTTLE WILL BE HERE SOON.
It would be nice and cool in the summer, though...




YOUR HIGH-NESS,
WHAT IS YOUR TEACHER LIKE? THE SHAMAN?
HM?
WELL, YOU'LL SEE WHEN YOU MEET HER. SHE'S BEAUTIFUL.


That she was beautiful.
WELL, YES,
I COULD TELL THAT FROM HER PICTURE.

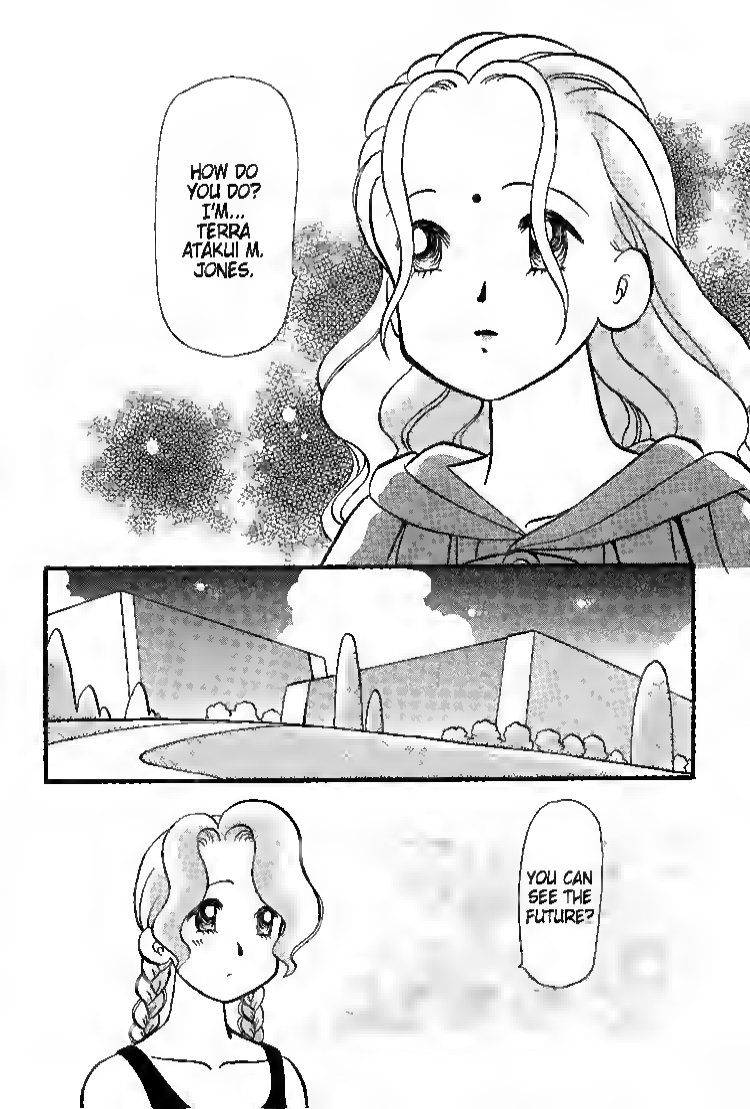

UH-HUH.
I CAN SENSE HER FROM 100 METERS AWAY.
SHE HAS A CERTAIN AURA TO HER, THOUGH I DON'T THINK IT'S RELATED TO HER PARANORMAL ABILITIES.

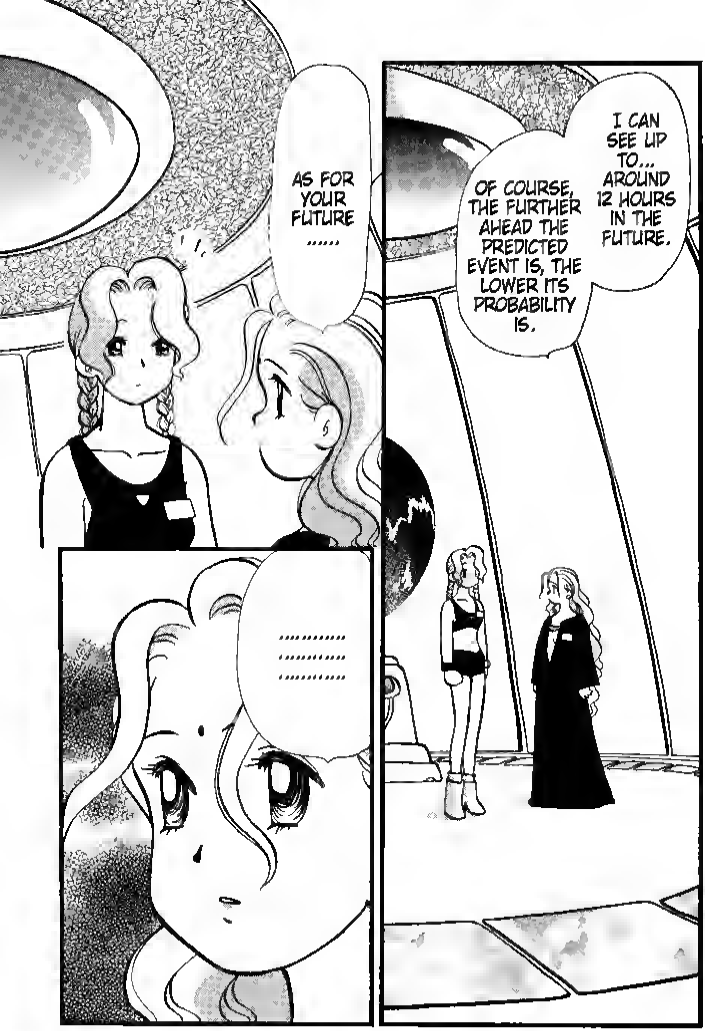

UM, YOUR HIGHNESS?
HM?

.....
ATAKUI!
A HUNDRED METERS AWAY, WAS IT?
BUT WAIT, WEREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE ON THAT SHUTTLE, ATAKUI?
I TOOK THE ONE BEFORE IT.
WHY WOULD YOU——
gasp!

MOST LIKELY.
?
ARE WE SAFE HERE?
BOOM

CRASH
Oh!
Eek!
Oh!
IT'S NOT SABOTAGE.
JUST... STANDARD ENGINE TROUBLE.
FATALITIES..... NONE.
THERE ARE SOME CASUALTIES.
twee twee
twee twee
....
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, ATAKUI.
YOU LOOK WELL, ANAS.
IS THIS ENUS?
N-NICE TO MEET YOU.


HOW DO YOU DO? I'M... TERRA ATAKUI M. JONES.
YOU CAN SEE THE FUTURE?


I CAN SEE UP TO... AROUND 12 HOURS IN THE FUTURE.
OF COURSE, THE FURTHER AHEAD THE PREDICTED EVENT IS, THE LOWER ITS PROBABILITY IS.
AS FOR YOUR FUTURE .....
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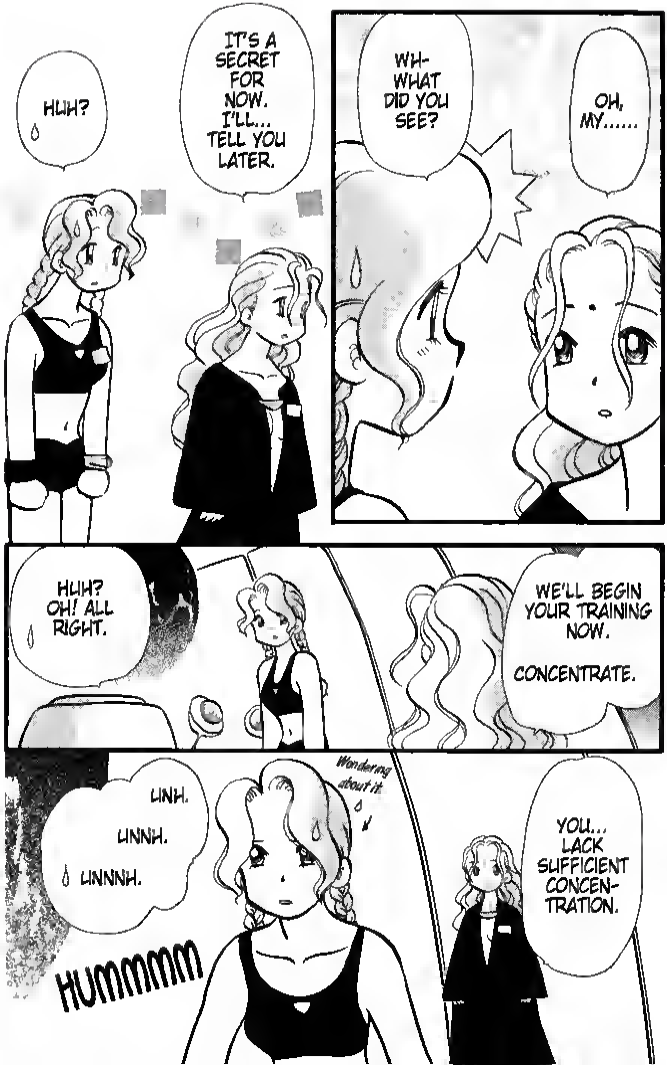
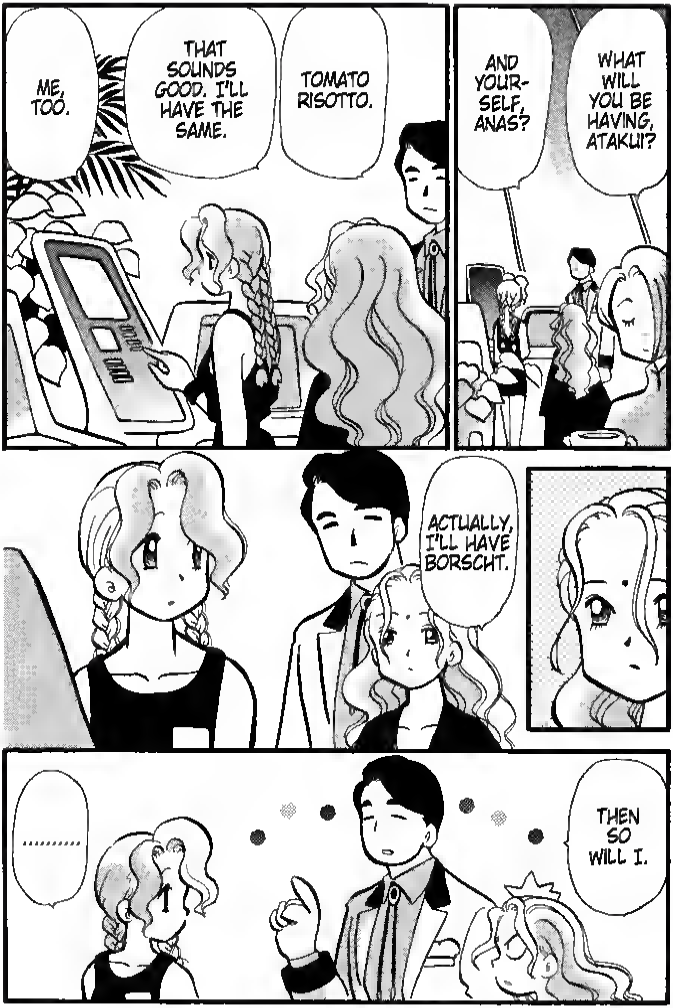
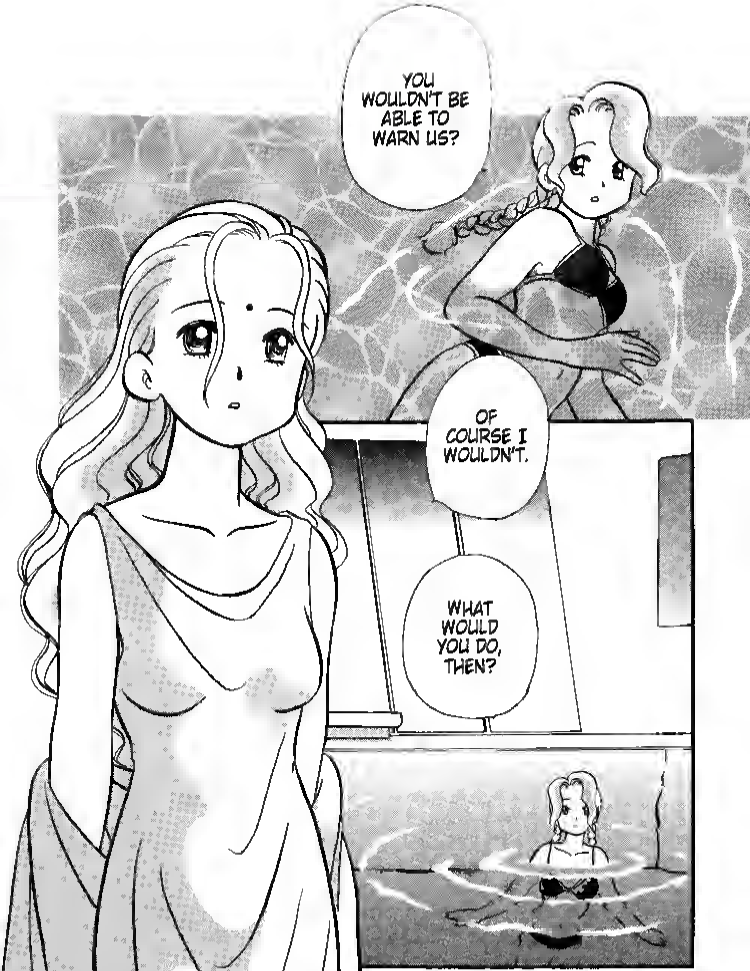

HUH?
IT'S A SECRET FOR NOW. I'LL... TELL YOU LATER.
WH- WHAT DID YOU SEE?
OH, MY.....
HUH? OH! ALL RIGHT.
WE'LL BEGIN YOUR TRAINING NOW.
CONCENTRATE.
UNH.
UNNH.
UNNNH.
HUMMMM
Wondering about it
YOU... LACK SUFFICIENT CONCEN- TRATION.

I WAS RAISED BY MARTIANS UNTIL THE AGE OF SIX.
NO, MARTIAN DOCTRINE.
DOCTRINE? RELIGIOUS DOCTRINE?
ATAKUI IS FORBIDDEN BY DOCTRINE TO SHARE THE CONTENTS OF HER PREDICTIONS WITH OTHERS.
.....
LOO.
LOO.
LOO.

† Note: Martians go, "Loo loo."

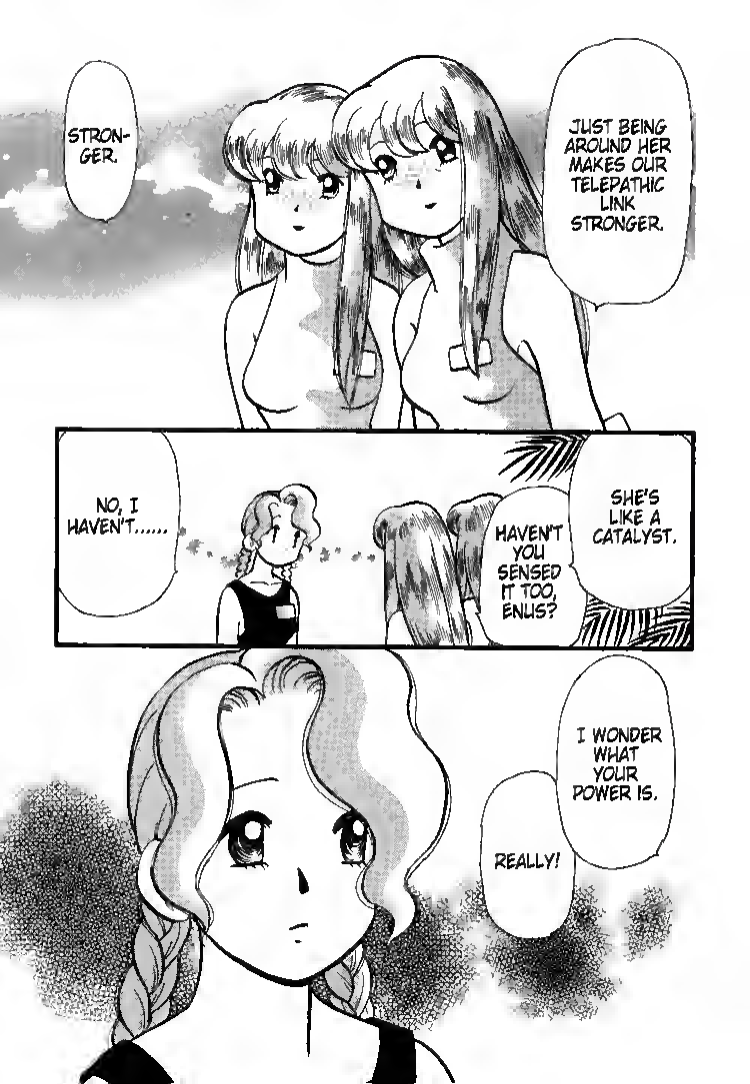

WHAT WILL YOU BE HAVING, ATAKU?
AND YOURSELF, ANAS?
TOMATO RISOTTO.
THAT SOUNDS GOOD. I'LL HAVE THE SAME.
ME, TOO.
ACTUALLY, I'LL HAVE BORSCHT.
THEN SO WILL I.
.....

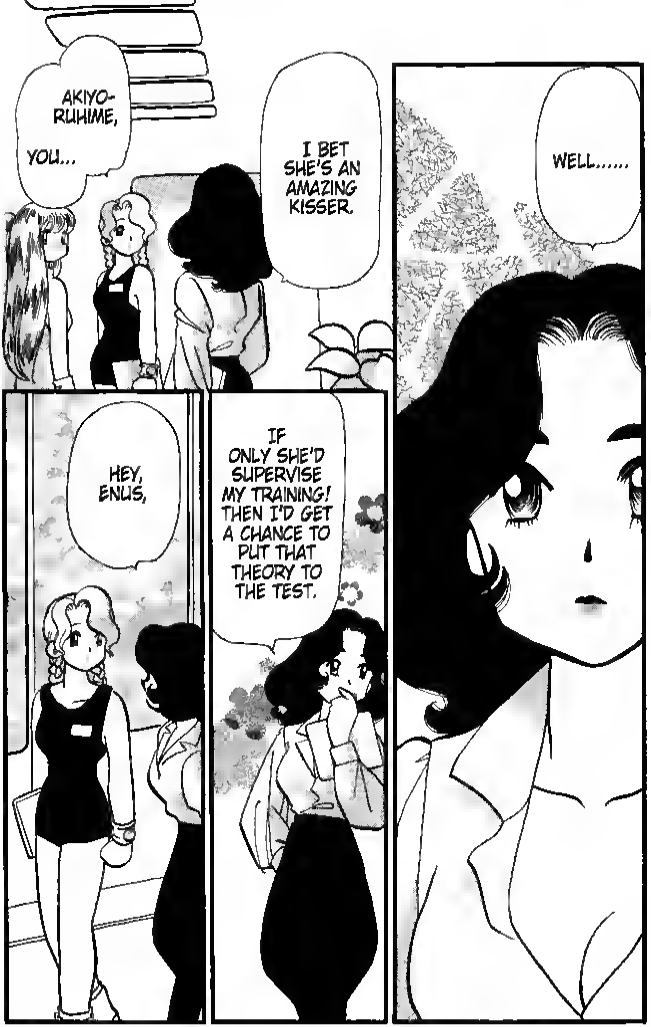
.....
EWW, WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE RISOTTO TODAY?
ARE THE SETTINGS MESSED UP ON THE MACHINE?
UGH.
SO, ATAKU,
EVEN IF YOU PREDICTED A NUCLEAR ATTACK ON THIS FACILITY.....

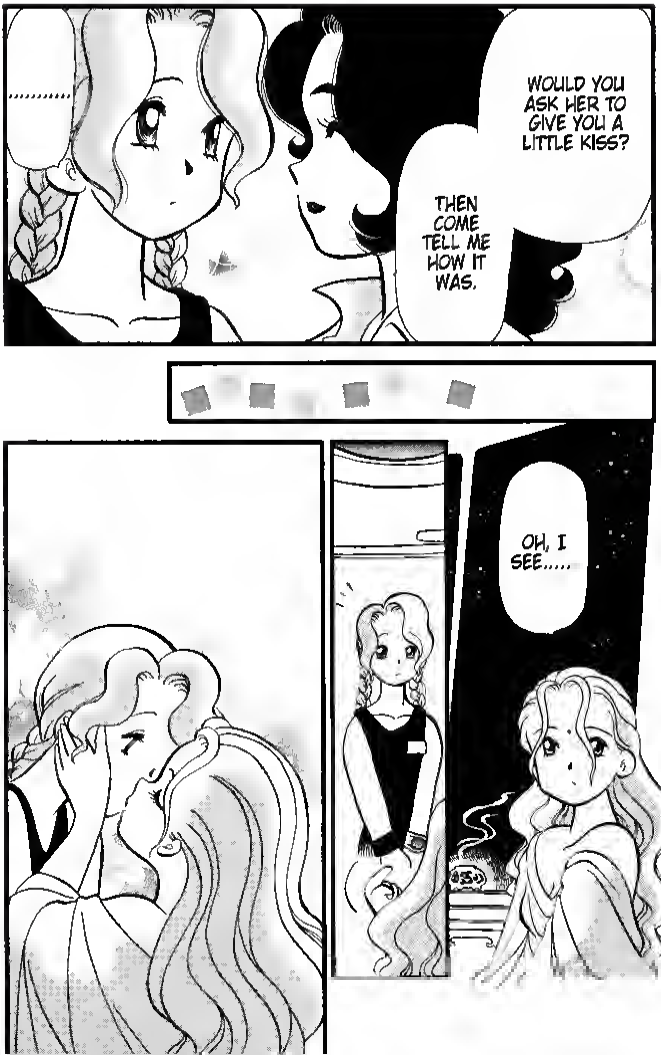

YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO WARN US?
OF COURSE I WOULDN'T.
WHAT WOULD YOU DO, THEN?

I WOULD... SNEAK OUT.
WELL, I COULD WARN PEOPLE ONCE THEIR RADAR PICKED UP THE MISSILES.
AND THEORETICALLY... I COULD COUNTER THE ATTACK MYSELF.
.....IF I WATCH YOU, I CAN GET AN IDEA OF WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN, HUH?
NO. DON'T. YOU CAN'T DO THAT.
IT'S NOT ALLOWED.

Loo loo loo!
A Martian would never have such bad manners.
Don't follow his example.
He's bad. Very bad.
The prince did it.
Don't ever do that.
HEY, ENUS,
YOU KNOW THAT MARTIAN SHAMAN?
ATAKUI?
SHE'S AMAZING.
AMA-ZING.


JUST BEING AROUND HER MAKES OUR TELEPATHIC LINK STRONGER.
STRON-GER.
SHE'S LIKE A CATALYST.
HAVEN'T YOU SENSED IT TOO, ENUS?
NO, I HAVEN'T.....
I WONDER WHAT YOUR POWER IS.
REALLY!


AKIYO-RUHIME, YOU...
I BET SHE'S AN AMAZING KISSER.
WELL.....
HEY, ENUS,
IF ONLY SHE'D SUPERVISE MY TRAINING! THEN I'D GET A CHANCE TO PUT THAT THEORY TO THE TEST.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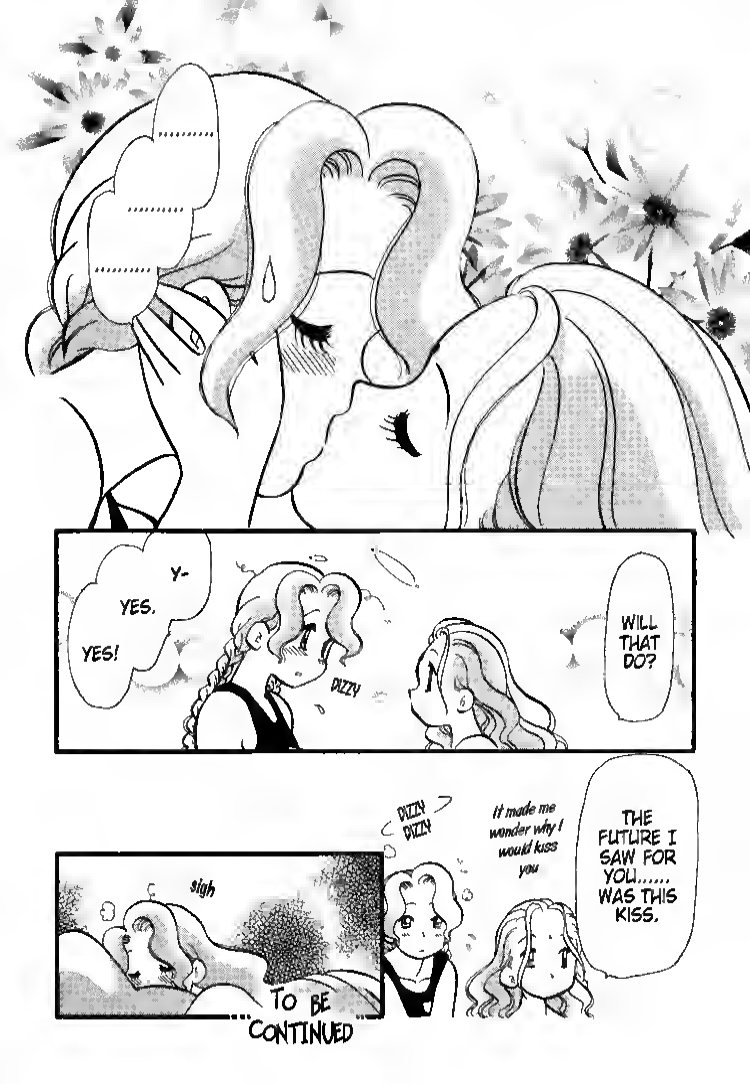
WOULD YOU ASK HER TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE KISS?
THEN COME TELL ME HOW IT WAS.
OH, I SEE.....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Y-
YES.
YES!
DIZZY
WILL THAT DO?
THE FUTURE I SAW FOR YOU..... WAS THIS KISS.
DIZZY DIZZY
It made me wonder why I would kiss you
sigh
TO BE CONTINUED

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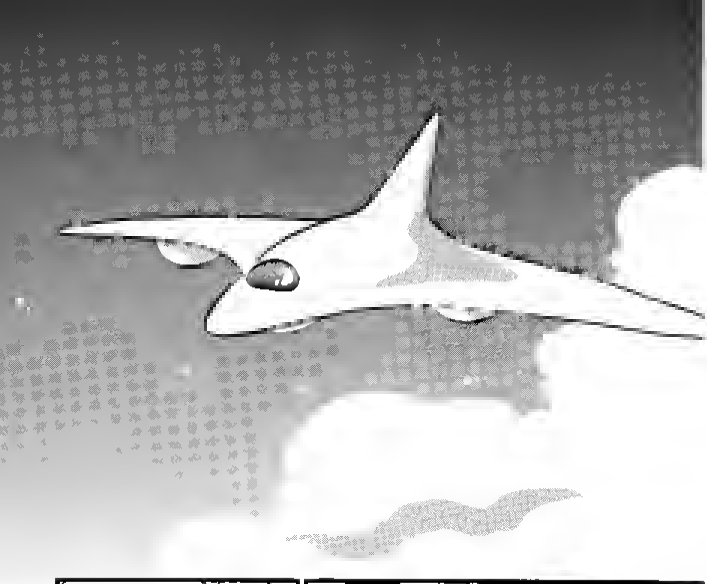
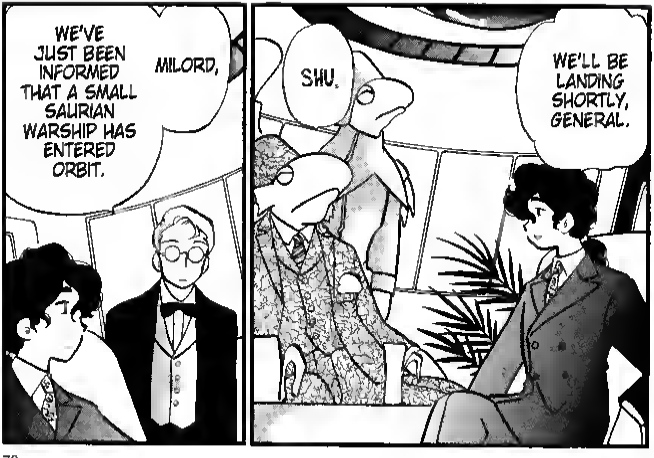
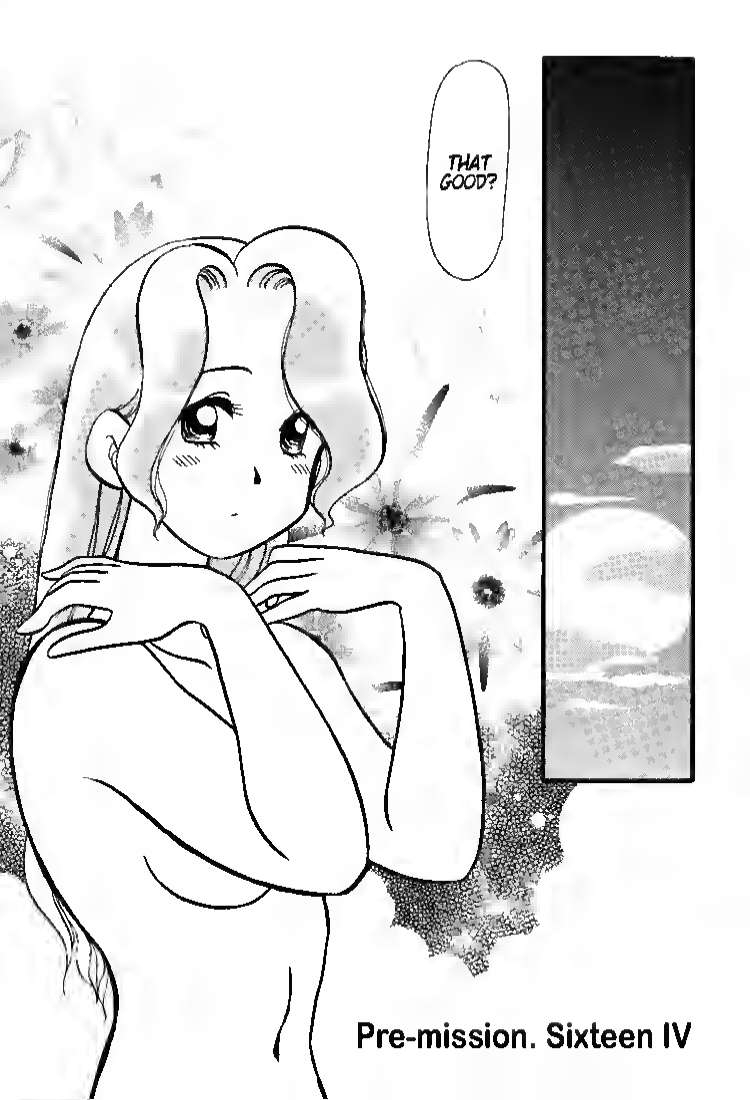



WE'VE JUST BEEN INFORMED THAT A SMALL SAURIAN WARSHIP HAS ENTERED ORBIT.
MILORD,
SHU.
WE'LL BE LANDING SHORTLY, GENERAL.

BOOM
A SMALL WAR-SHIP .....
I WONDER WHAT SORT OF FIREPOWER IT'S PACKING.



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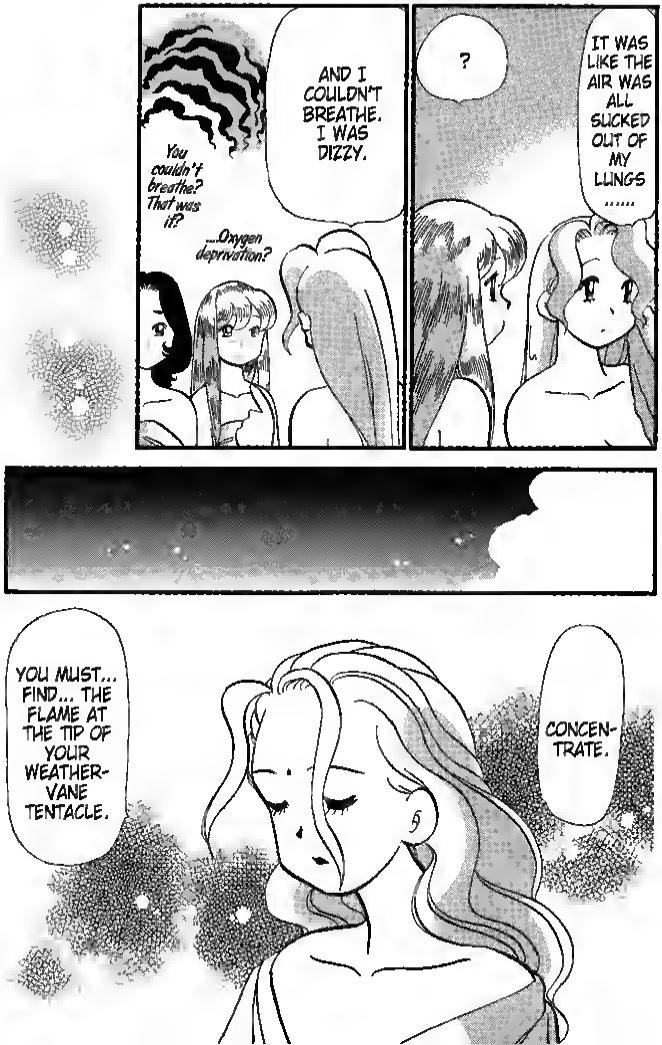
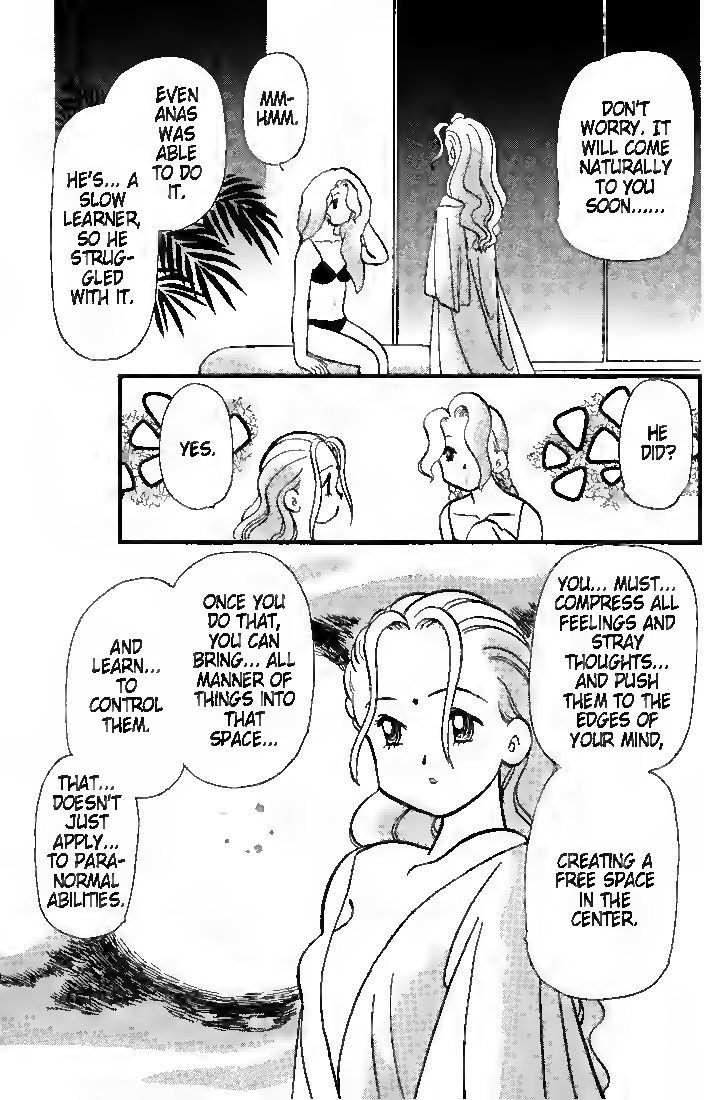
SO WHAT THEY SAY IS TRUE--
MASTERS OF THE PARANORMAL ARE ALL GOOD KISSERS.
I DON'T KNOW. I HAVEN'T KISSED MANY PEOPLE WHO WERE ANY GOOD AT IT, SO I DON'T HAVE MUCH BASIS FOR COMPARISON.
SHE'S THAT GOOD?
HMMM.
WHAT WAS IT LIKE?
Yes.
People say that?


AND I COULDN'T BREATHE. I WAS DIZZY.
You couldn't breathe? That was it?
...Oxygen deprivation?
?
IT WAS LIKE THE AIR WAS ALL SUCKED OUT OF MY LUNGS .....
YOU MUST... FIND... THE FLAME AT THE TIP OF YOUR WEATHER-VANE TENTACLE.
CONCEN-TRATE.

.....I DON'T HAVE ANY tentacles.
PICTURE YOURSELF... AS... A MARTIAN.
IMAGINE IT..... GROWING BRIGHTER, BIGGER.
.....
AND WHICH ONE IS THE WEATHER-VANE TENTACLE?
THE SECOND ON THE RIGHT.
JUST TO THE LEFT OF THE FISHING TEN-TACLE.
Loo.
Loo loo.


DON'T WORRY. IT WILL COME NATURALLY TO YOU SOON.....
MM-HMM.
EVEN ANAS WAS ABLE TO DO IT.
HE'S... A SLOW LEARNER, SO HE STRUGGLED WITH IT.
HE DID?
YES.
YOU... MUST... COMPRESS ALL FEELINGS AND STRAY THOUGHTS... AND PUSH THEM TO THE EDGES OF YOUR MIND,
CREATING A FREE SPACE IN THE CENTER.
ONCE YOU DO THAT, YOU CAN BRING... ALL MANNER OF THINGS INTO THAT SPACE...
AND LEARN... TO CONTROL THEM.
THAT... DOESN'T JUST APPLY... TO PARA-NORMAL ABILITIES.

IT... MADE ANAS DIZZY, TOO.
OF COURSE. IT MAKES PEOPLE DIZZY.
SO IT WORKS FOR KISSING, TOO?
ENUS,
WE'RE GOING ON A MISSION.

WE'LL BE GUARDING A HIGH-RANKING SAURIAN MILITARY OFFICER AND A YOUNG MAN WHOSE FAMILY OWNS A CONGLOMERATE IN LITTLE KYOTO.
THE YOUNG MAN IS AN ACQUAINTANCE OF MINE.
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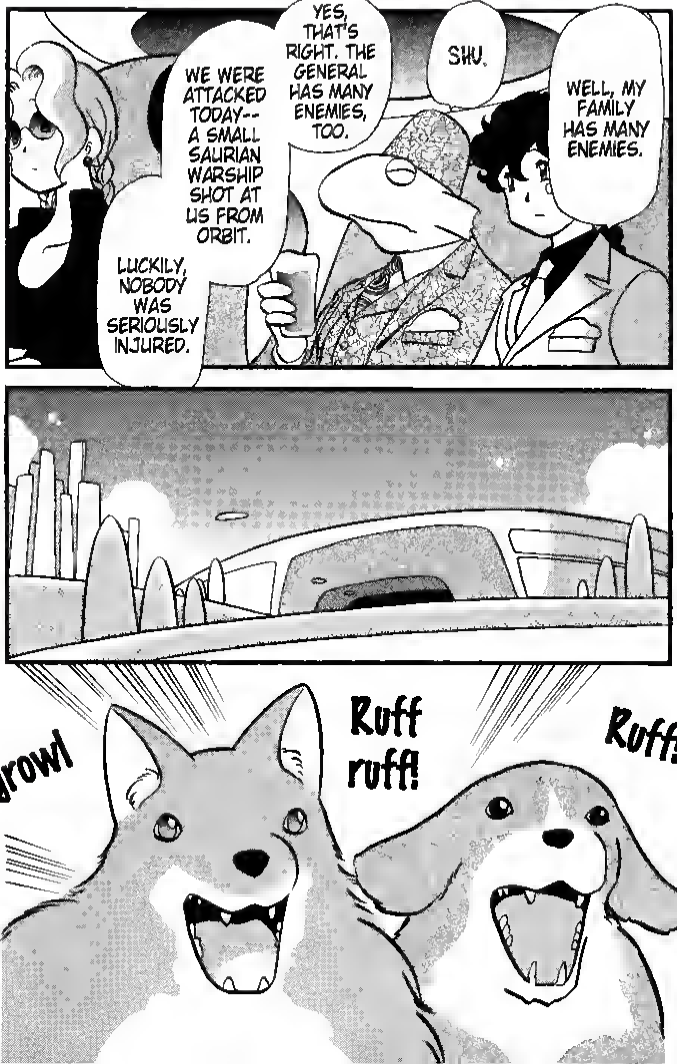
WHAT'S WRONG?
Oh! Nothing

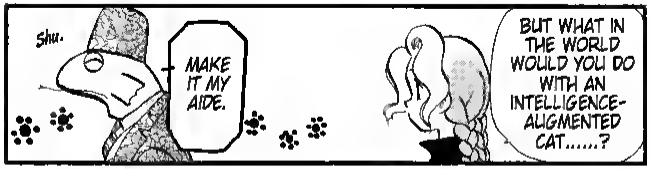
ANAS.
YOU'RE LOOKING WELL.
AS ARE YOU, SADAAKI.
THIS IS HIS EXCELLENCY LOMBADRO KUKU. HE'S A HIGH-RANKING GENERAL IN THE SCOBUL NEST.
NICE TO MEET YOU. YOUR EX-CELLENCY.
SHU!
AND THIS IS HIS HIGHNESS ROMALY ANAS HSE.

AND WHO ARE YOU?
I'M APRIL ENUS.
YOU CAN GUARD ME ANY DAY, CUTIE.
SHE'S MY PUPIL. HANDS OFF.
YOU DON'T TRUST ME?
THIS IS VISCOUNT TOUJO SADAAKI.
OH, IT'S "MARQUIS" NOW.
I'VE TAKEN OVER FOR MY UNCLE.
HE PASSED AWAY?
OH! NO, HE DISAPPEARED IN AN ACCIDENT, ALONG WITH OUR NEW WARSHIP.


WELL, MY FAMILY HAS MANY ENEMIES.
SHU.
YES, THAT'S RIGHT. THE GENERAL HAS MANY ENEMIES, TOO.
WE WERE ATTACKED TODAY-- A SMALL SAURIAN WARSHIP SHOT AT US FROM ORBIT.
LUCKILY, NOBODY WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED.
growl
Ruff ruff!
Ruff!

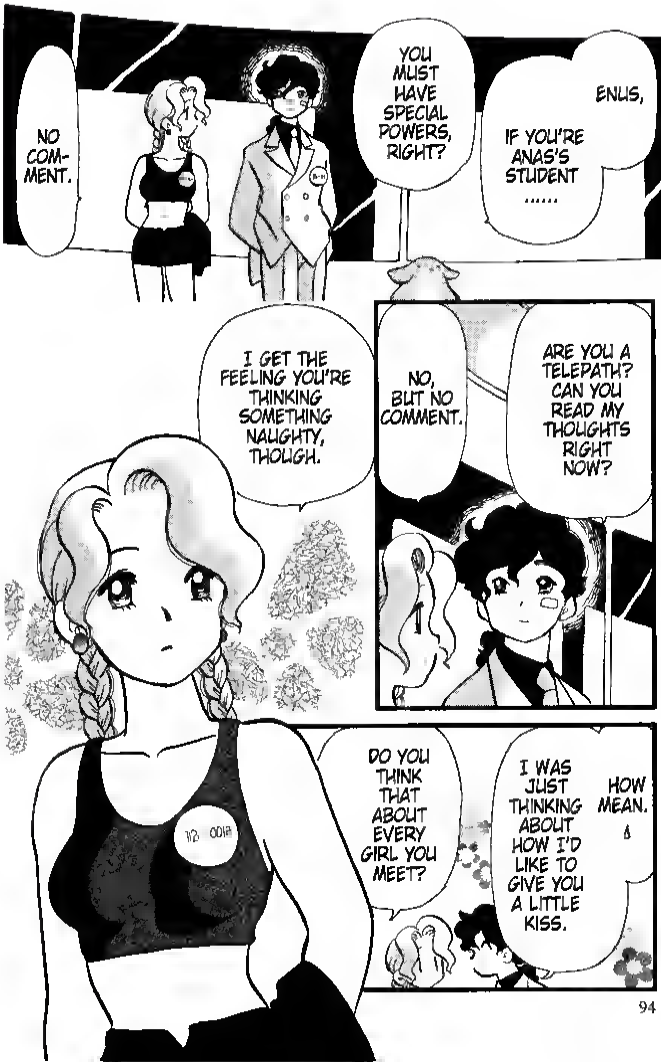
SHU!
whimper
WE WOULD LIKE TO FULFILL YOUR REQUEST. HOWEVER.....
SHU.
WE'VE BEEN AWAITING YOU, GENERAL.

A CAT? BUT.....
RIGHT.
THAT'S WHY HE CAME ALL THE WAY OUT HERE.
THE GENERAL WANTS A CAT WITH AUGMENTED INTELLI-GENCE.
NO.
IF YOU WOULD ACCEPT A DOG INSTEAD, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO AC-COMMODATE YOU.
UNFORTUNATELY, THE INTELLIGENCE AUGMENTATION PROCESS HAS A RATHER LOW SUCCESS RATE IN CATS.
AND EVEN WHEN IT IS SUCCESSFUL, HARDLY ANY OF THEM ARE WILLING TO PLEDGE THEIR LOYALTY TO ANYONE.....
Saurians like them, apparently.
Why is he insisting on a cat?
A CAT. I WANT A CAT.


Shu.
MAKE IT MY AIDE.
BUT WHAT IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU DO WITH AN INTELLIGENCE-AUGMENTED CAT.....?

Mew.
Mew.
Mew.
Mew.
Mew.

These kittens haven't begun the treatments yet.
Mew. Mew.
Mew.
SHU SHU SHUUUU.

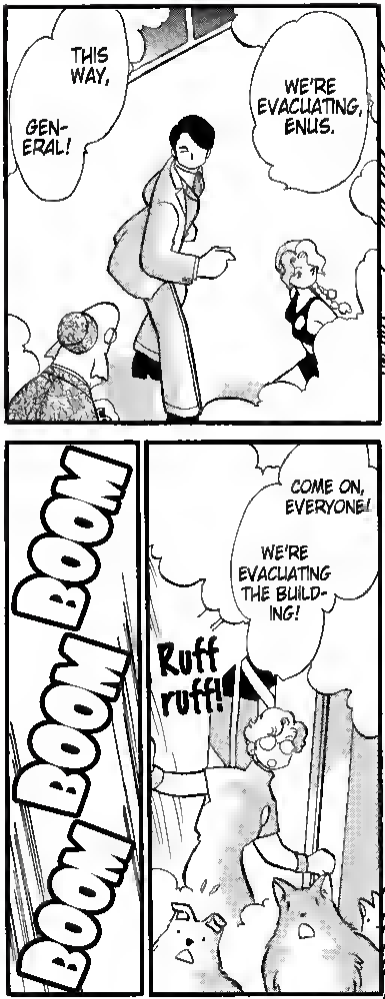

NO COM-MENT.
YOU MUST HAVE SPECIAL POWERS, RIGHT?
ENJU,
IF YOU'RE ANAS'S STUDENT .....
ARE YOU A TELEPATH? CAN YOU READ MY THOUGHTS RIGHT NOW?
NO, BUT NO COMMENT.
I GET THE FEELING YOU'RE THINKING SOMETHING NAUGHTY, THOUGH.
HOW MEAN.
I WAS JUST THINKING ABOUT HOW I'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE KISS.
DO YOU THINK THAT ABOUT EVERY GIRL YOU MEET?

NO. YOU'RE ANAS'S STUDENT,
SO I FIGURED YOU MUST BE A BETTER KISSER THAN THE AVERAGE GIRL.
I HEAR HE'S GOT QUITE A REPUTATION WITH THE LADIES--
THEY SAY HE'S AN INCREDIBLE KISSER.

I'VE BEEN REALLY CURIOUS WHAT IT'S LIKE.
SORRY TO BREAK IT TO YOU, BUT HE HASN'T TAUGHT ME ABOUT KISSING.
OH.
I wanted to experience it at least once in my life.
COULD YOU PLEASE NOT GIVE HER ANY WEIRD IDEAS?
Mew. Mew. Mew.
SHU SHU SHUUUU.
YOU'RE .....

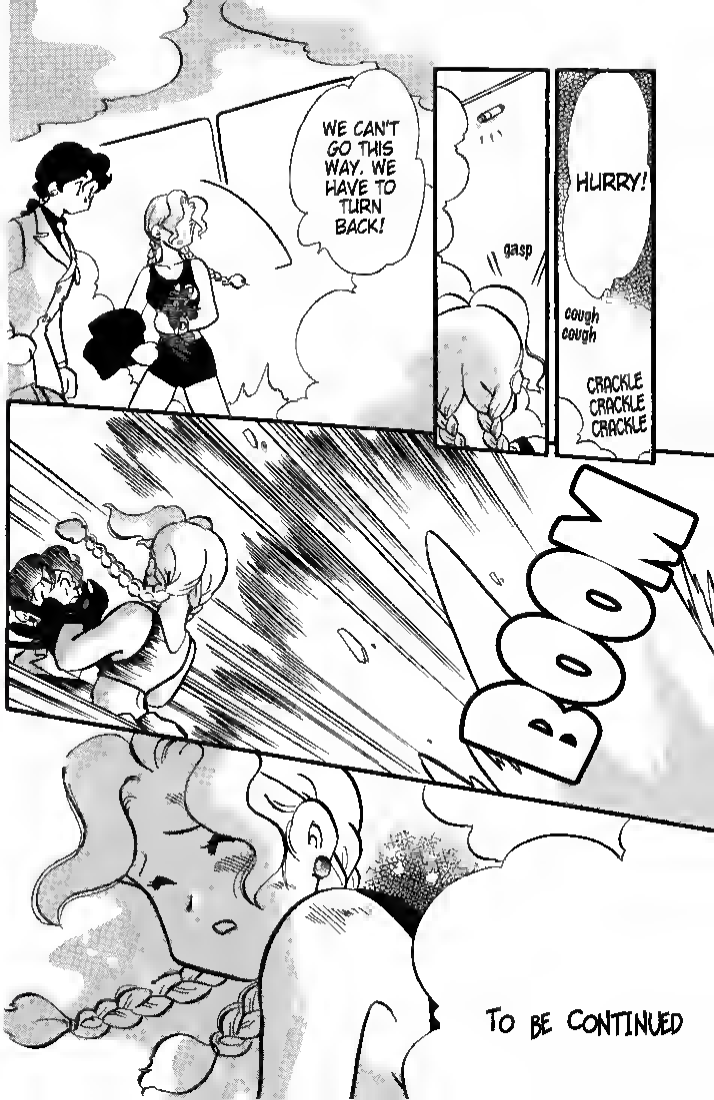
DASH
OH! HEY, YOU!
DROP
?
WH- WHAT IS IT?
Ack!
WAIT!
gasp
BOOF
PING

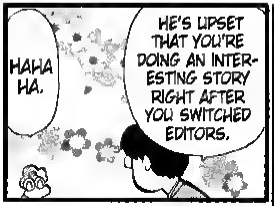
IT WAS CARRYING A LOT MORE EXPLOSIVES.
YOUR HIGH-NESS!
I SAW THAT DOG EARLIER.
IT'S A DOG--
WE HAVE AN INTRUDER IN THE FACILITY.
AN EXPLO-SIVE.
A BROWN AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD.
BOOM
AH
WE HAVE AN EMERGENCY! EXPLOSIVES MAY HAVE BEEN PLANTED AROUND THE——
KABOOM
BOOM

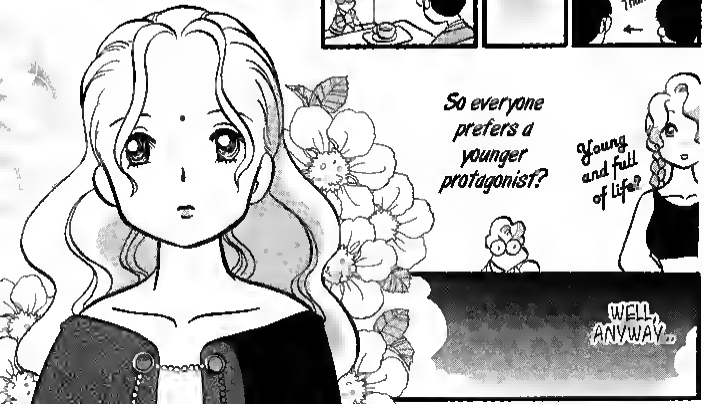

THIS WAY, GEN-ERAL!
WE'RE EVACUATING, ENUS.
SEVERAL FIRES HAVE BROKEN OUT WITHIN THE FACILITY.
RRREEEEEEEE
ALL STAFF, PLEASE EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY
COME ON, EVERYONE!
WE'RE EVACUATING THE BUILD-ING!
Ruff ruff!
BOOM BOOM BOOM

HELP!
cough
BEEP BEEP
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
BAM
GET BACK.

CREAK CREAK
NGH.
CRACK CRACKLE
BOOF
I'LL HELP.
OH! PLEASE, JUST GET OUT OF HERE!
MROW!


WE CAN'T GO THIS WAY. WE HAVE TO TURN BACK!
gasp
HURRY!
cough cough
CRACKLE CRACKLE CRACKLE
BOOM
TO BE CONTINUED

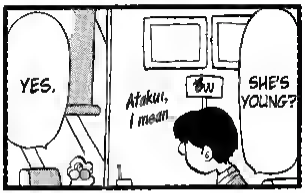




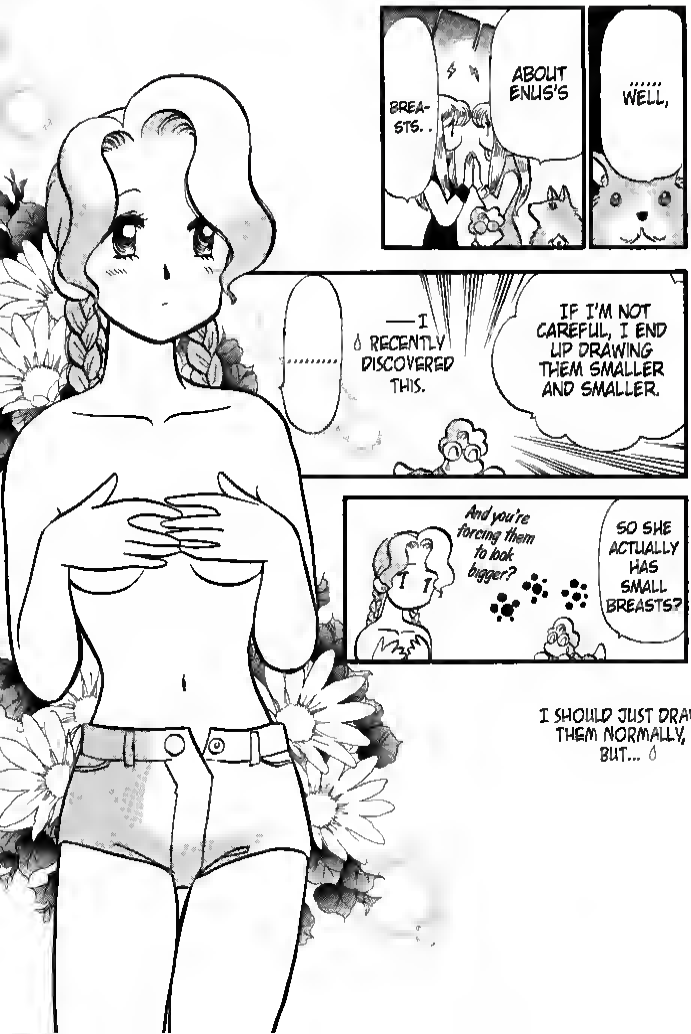
Martian

Terra Ataku M. Jones

SHE WAS RAISED BY THE JONES FAMILY ON MARS, SO HER FAMILY NAME IS "MARTIAN JONES." SHE MAY LOOK YOUNG, BUT... ACTUALLY, SHE IS YOUNG.



Akiyoruhime.
WELL, THAT'S THE BACKSTORY, BUT DOES IT REALLY MATTER?
SHE WAS AROUND EIGHT YEARS OLD WHEN SHE TAUGHT THE PRINCE.
loo!
Loo
Loo loo!
loo!
Loo
Nordrhein Hilda
&
Nordrhein Hilda
Twins. They have the same name.


ABOUT ENUS'S BREA-STS..
.....WELL,
IF I'M NOT CAREFUL, I END UP DRAWING THEM SMALLER AND SMALLER.
.....
—I RECENTLY DISCOVERED THIS.
SO SHE ACTUALLY HAS SMALL BREASTS?
And you're forcing them to look bigger?
I SHOULD JUST DRAW THEM NORMALLY, BUT...

Well, anyway, this volume takes place when Enus is 16 years old.

This all happens before she's stationed on Lisbon, so it's set on the Alliance home-world, Earth. By the way, Enus is at a training facility for paranormal abilities. She's already finished her spy training and has been working in the field.

By the way, Enus didn't always work for the Alliance Intelligence Bureau. She started out in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Most people with potential powers end up working in intelligence or foreign affairs or for the police. Because nobody knew what Enus's special power was and because she had little aptitude for the work at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, she switched to the Intelligence Bureau after about half a year.

—Her backstory is something like that.

His family owns a conglomerate encompassing organizations in the defense industry and other areas.
Sheendoxay Lombadro Yuku
A high-ranking general in the Scobul Nest-Empire. Like the humans, the Saurians have a number of different nations. Relations among them are generally poor.
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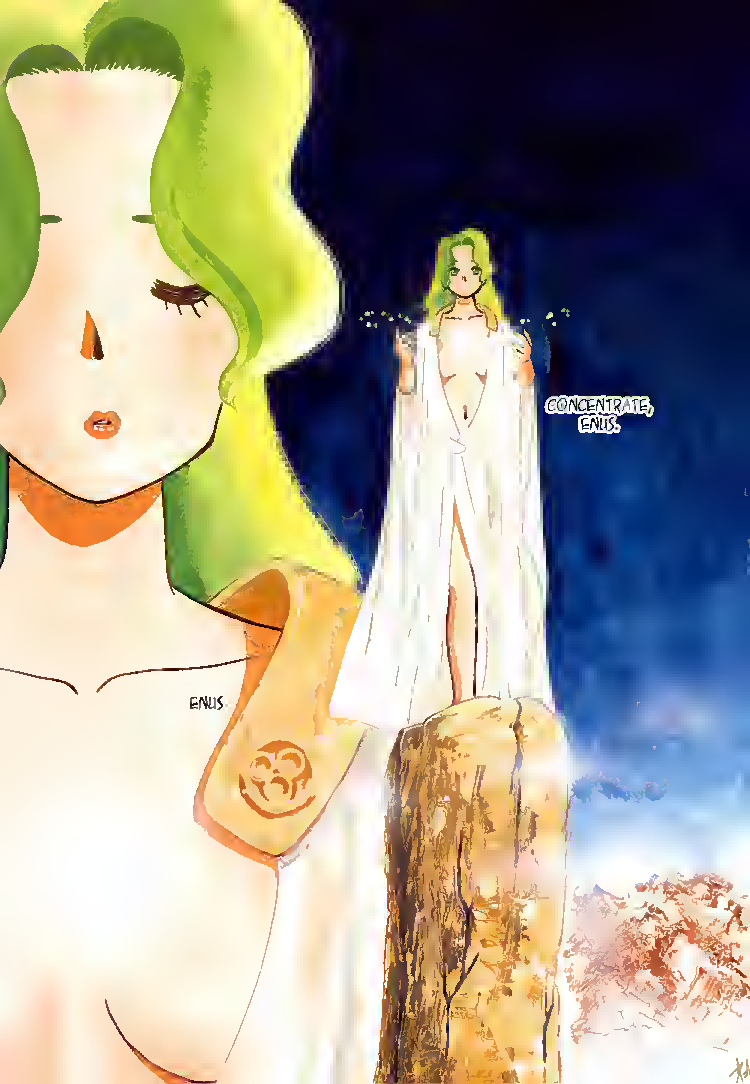
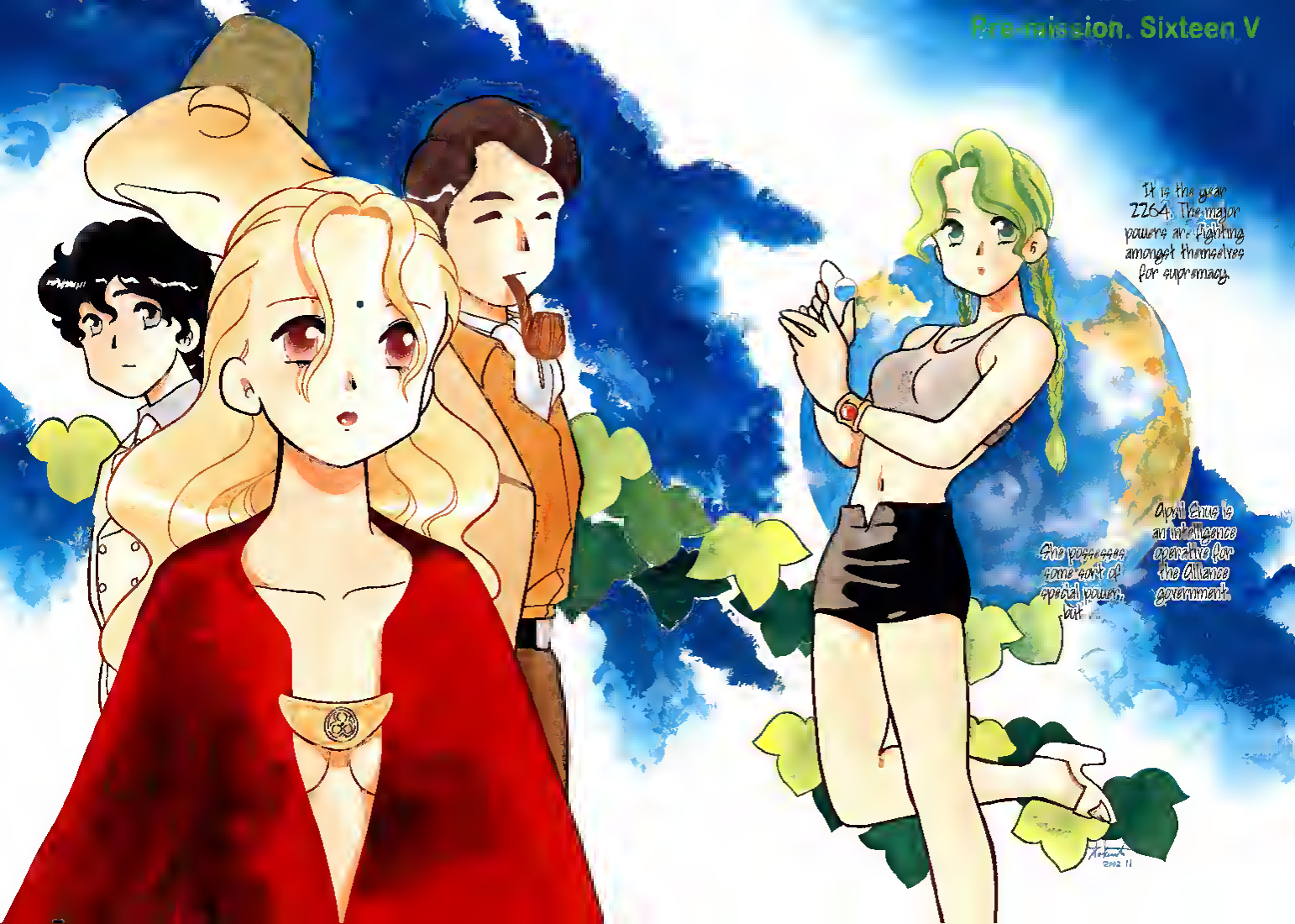
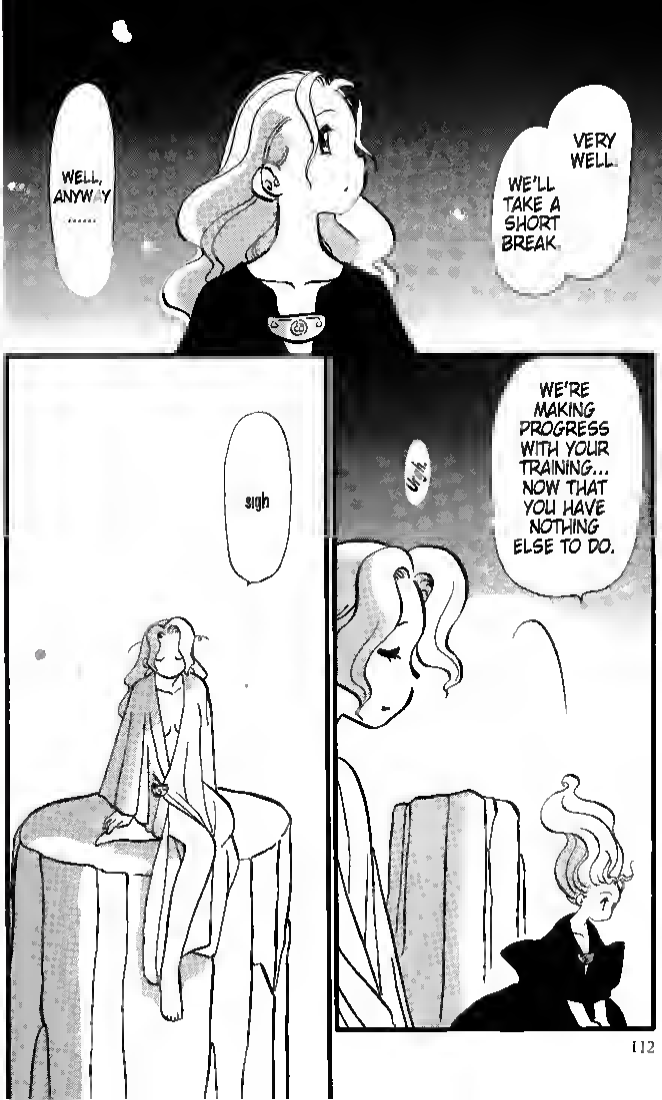

CONCENTRATE, ENUS.
ENUS

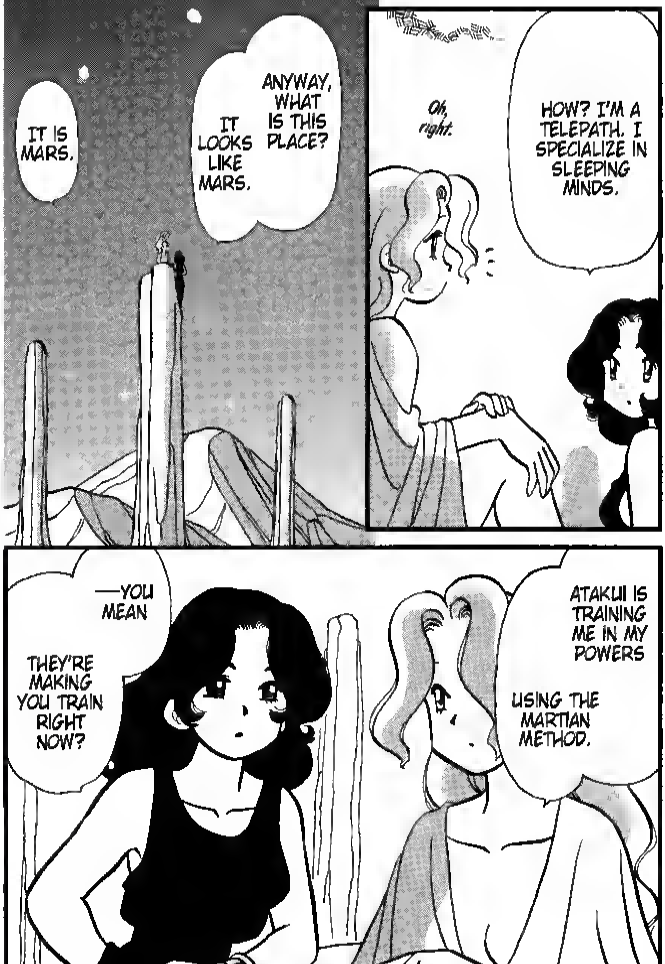

It is the year 2264. The major powers are fighting amongst themselves for supremacy.
April Snow is an intelligence operative for the Alliance government.
She possesses some sort of special powers, but...

YES, LIKE THAT.
MAKE IT BRIGHTER.
BRIGHTER.
LOO!

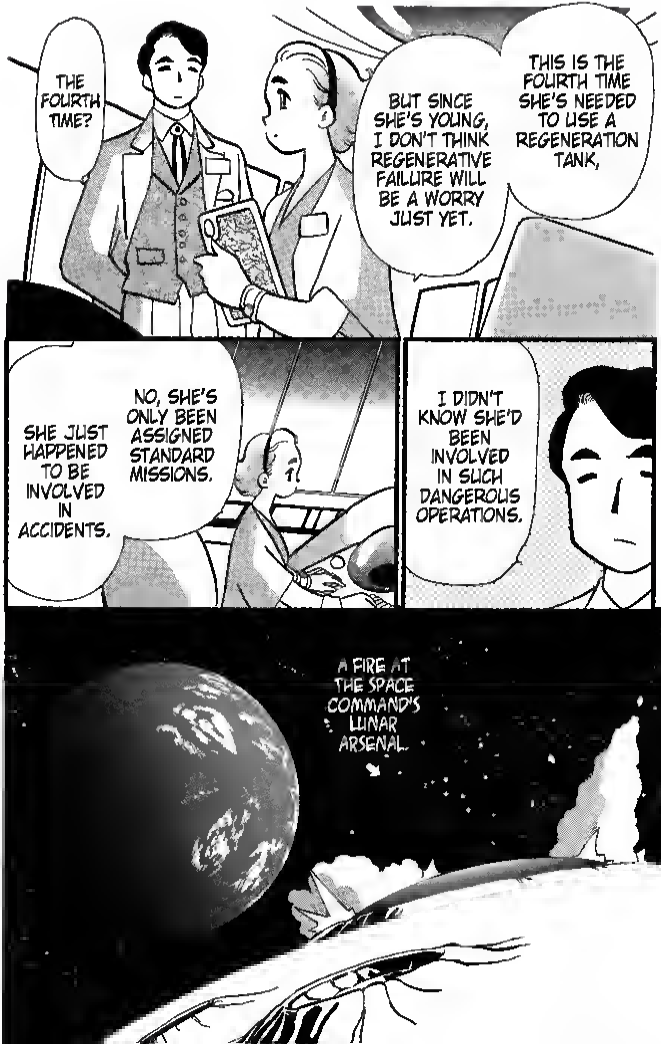
sigh
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
CAN I TAKE A BREAK FOR A BIT?
YOU LACK YOUTHFUL VIGOR.


WELL, ANYWAY .....
VERY WELL. WE'LL TAKE A SHORT BREAK.
WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS WITH YOUR TRAINING... NOW THAT YOU HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO DO.
Uh...
sigh

ENJU.
AKIYO-RUHIME.
HI.
I CAME TO CHECK ON YOU.
HOW ARE YOU DOING?
SO-SO. —HOW CAN YOU BE HERE?

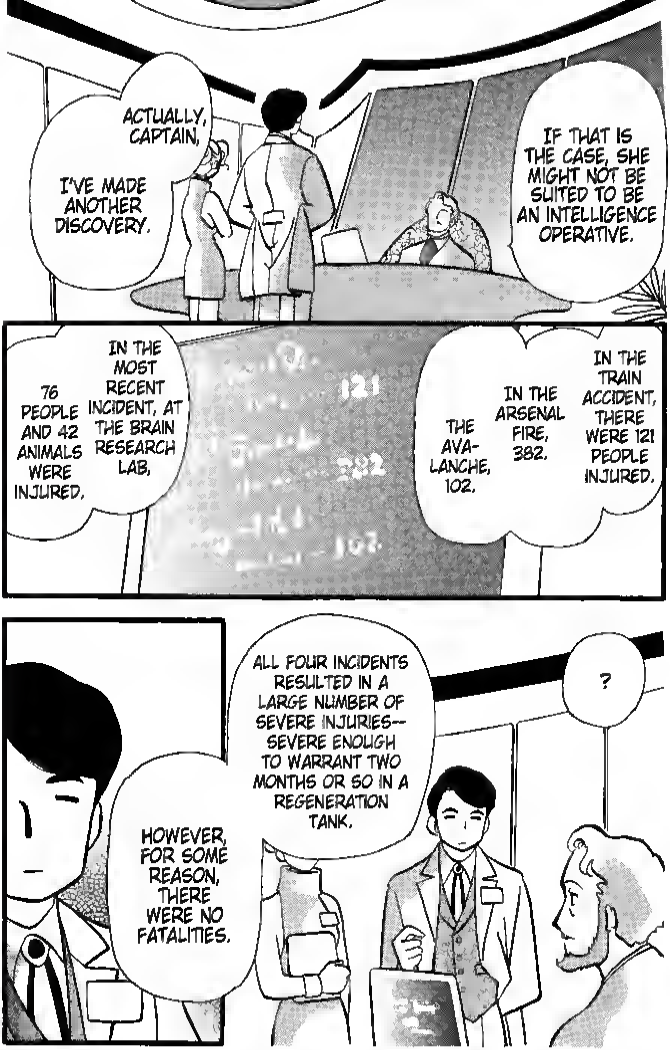

HOW? I'M A TELEPATH. I SPECIALIZE IN SLEEPING MINDS.
Oh, right.
ANYWAY, WHAT IS THIS PLACE?
IT LOOKS LIKE MARS.
IT IS MARS.
ATAKUI IS TRAINING ME IN MY POWERS
USING THE MARTIAN METHOD.
—YOU MEAN
THEY'RE MAKING YOU TRAIN RIGHT NOW?

URGH.
BUT I HEARD YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO GET TO DREAM ABOUT WHATEVER YOU WANT WHEN YOU'RE IN A REGENERATION TANK.
The truth is, Enus is in a regeneration tank for a month.
MM-HMM.
BUT APRIL ENUS'S RECOVERY IS
IT WILL TAKE ANOTHER WEEK TO FINISH REPAIRING HER NERVOUS SYSTEM,
PRO-GRESSING SMOOTHLY.


THE FOURTH TIME?
THIS IS THE FOURTH TIME SHE'S NEEDED TO USE A REGENERATION TANK,
BUT SINCE SHE'S YOUNG, I DON'T THINK REGENERATIVE FAILURE WILL BE A WORRY JUST YET.
I DIDN'T KNOW SHE'D BEEN INVOLVED IN SUCH DANGEROUS OPERATIONS.
NO, SHE'S ONLY BEEN ASSIGNED STANDARD MISSIONS.
SHE JUST HAPPENED TO BE INVOLVED IN ACCIDENTS.
A FIRE AT THE SPACE COMMAND'S LUNAR ARSENAL.

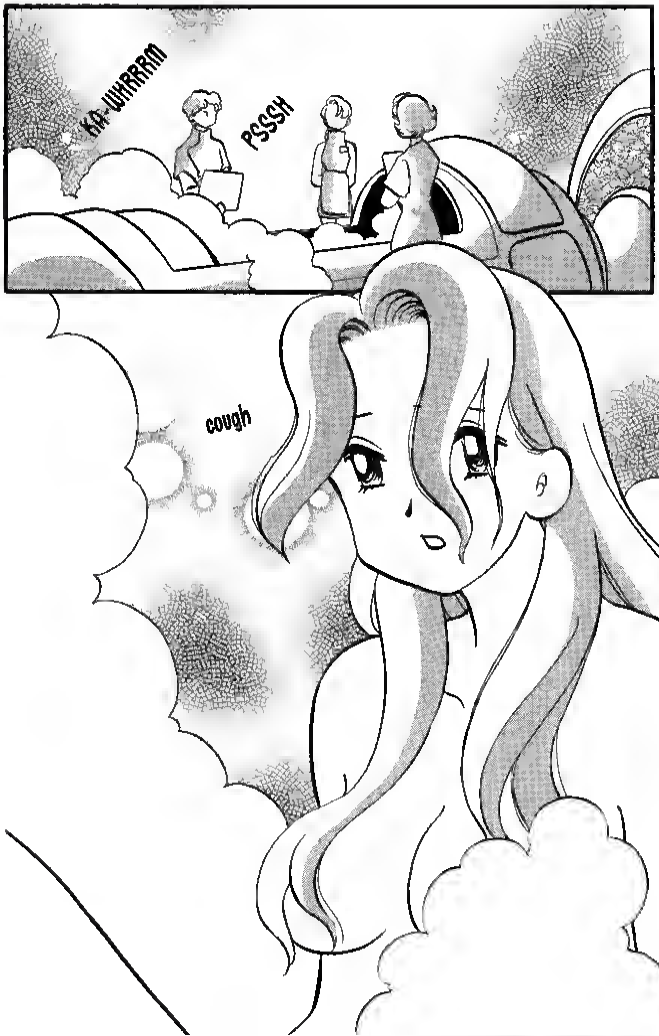
AN AVALANCHE AT A NATIONAL PARK.
AND THE LATEST INCIDENT AT THE BRAIN RESEARCH LAB.
WHAT WAS THE FOURTH ONE?
SHE WAS IN A TRAIN ACCIDENT WHEN SHE WAS FIVE YEARS OLD.

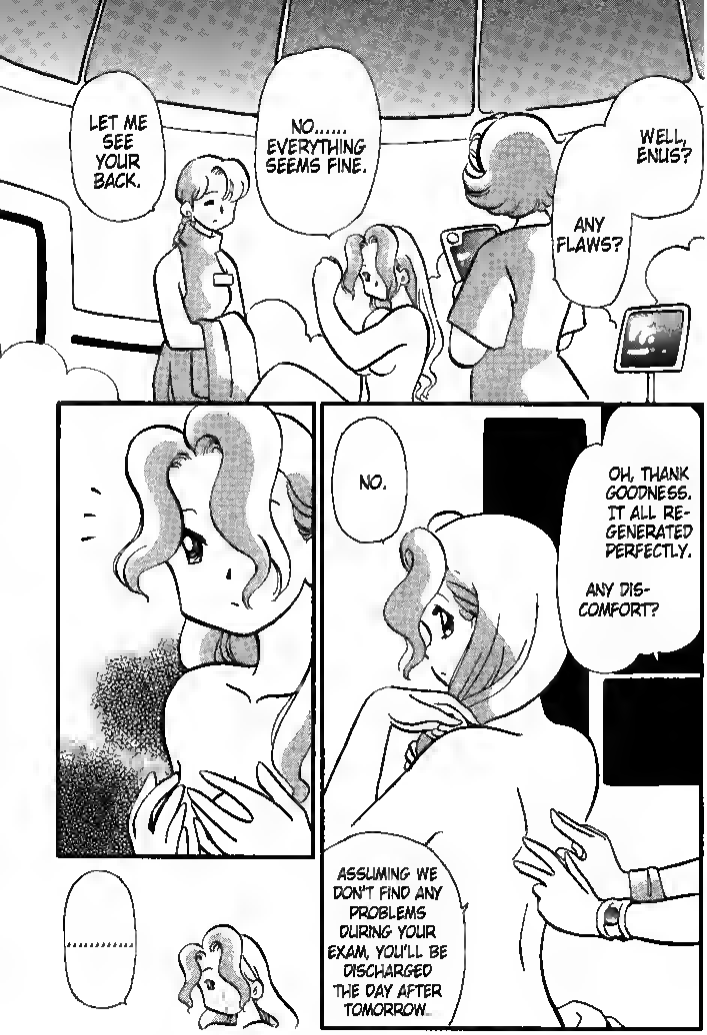
HMM.
FOUR TIMES IS A BIT MUCH FOR A 16-YEAR-OLD.
THERE'S A HIGH POSSIBILITY THAT IT'S SIMPLY CHANCE,
BUT IT'S ALSO POSSIBLE THAT HER SPECIAL POWER COULD BE THAT SHE'S UNLUCKY.


ACTUALLY, CAPTAIN, I'VE MADE ANOTHER DISCOVERY.
IF THAT IS THE CASE, SHE MIGHT NOT BE SUITED TO BE AN INTELLIGENCE OPERATIVE.
IN THE MOST RECENT INCIDENT, AT THE BRAIN RESEARCH LAB,
76 PEOPLE AND 42 ANIMALS WERE INJURED,
THE AVA-LANCHE, 102,
IN THE ARSENAL FIRE, 382.
IN THE TRAIN ACCIDENT, THERE WERE 121 PEOPLE INJURED.
HOWEVER, FOR SOME REASON, THERE WERE NO FATALITIES.
ALL FOUR INCIDENTS RESULTED IN A LARGE NUMBER OF SEVERE INJURIES-- SEVERE ENOUGH TO WARRANT TWO MONTHS OR SO IN A REGENERATION TANK.
?

IT CERTAINLY IS.
When you consider the magnitude of the accidents...
.....
HMM. THAT IS ODD.
Hm..
Hm...
IN SHORT,
THIS MEANS THAT THERE'S A POSSIBILITY THAT
PEOPLE DON'T DIE AROUND APRIL ENUS, CORRECT?

IF SHE DOES HAVE SUCH A POWER,
HOW CAN WE BE CERTAIN OF IT?
WE CAN HARDLY HAVE HER SET OFF A BOMB IN THE STREET JUST TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS.


KA-WHRRRM
PSSSH
cough


LET ME SEE YOUR BACK.
NO..... EVERYTHING SEEMS FINE.
WELL, ENUS?
ANY FLAWS?
NO.
OH, THANK GOODNESS. IT ALL RE-GENERATED PERFECTLY.
ANY DIS-COMFORT?
ASSUMING WE DON'T FIND ANY PROBLEMS DURING YOUR EXAM, YOU'LL BE DISCHARGED THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW.
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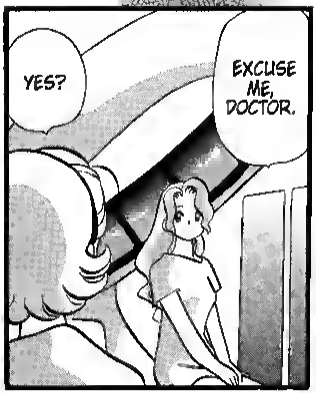
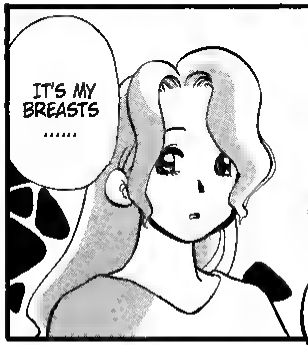
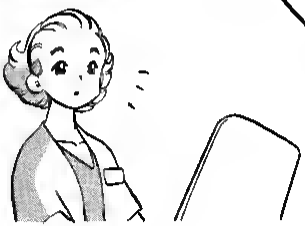
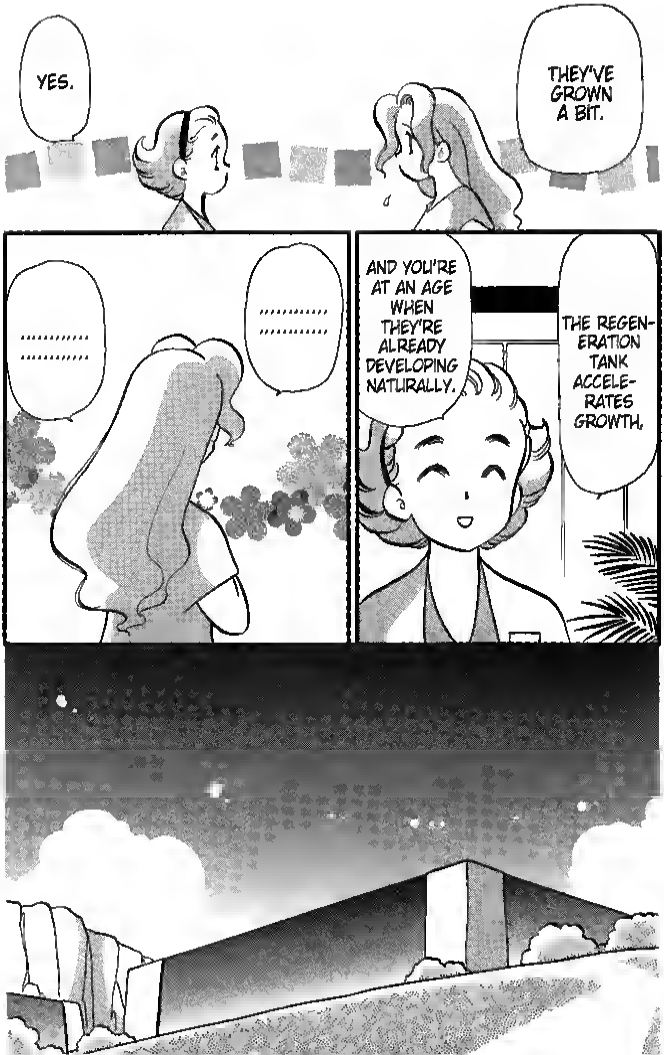

YES?
EXCUSE ME, DOCTOR.


IT'S MY BREASTS .....




YES.
THEY'VE GROWN A BIT.
THE REGENERATION TANK ACCELERATES GROWTH.
AND YOU'RE AT AN AGE WHEN THEY'RE ALREADY DEVELOPING NATURALLY.
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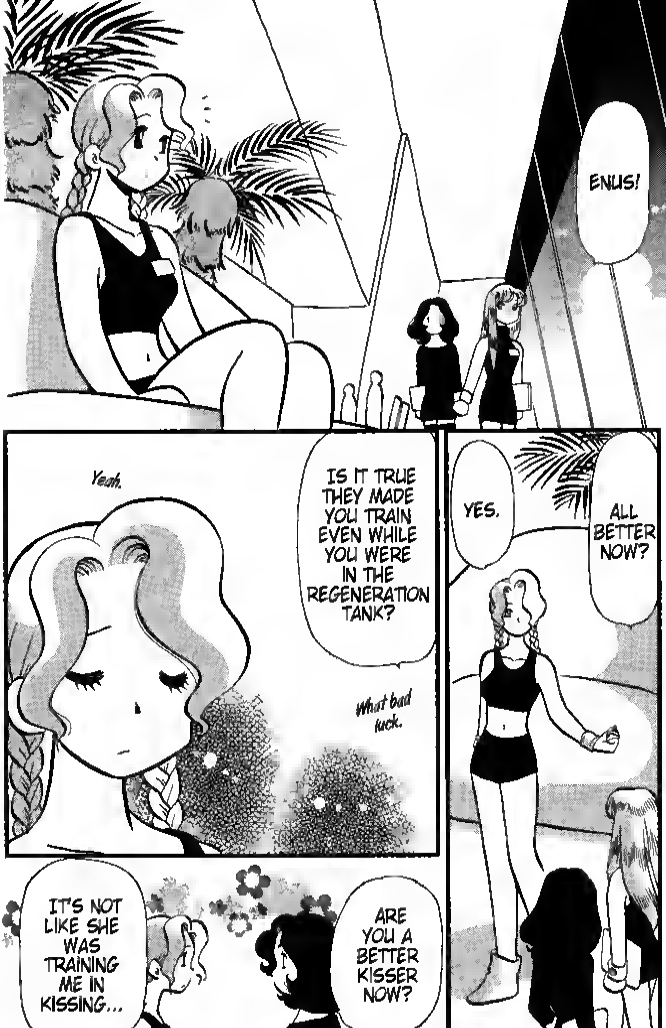
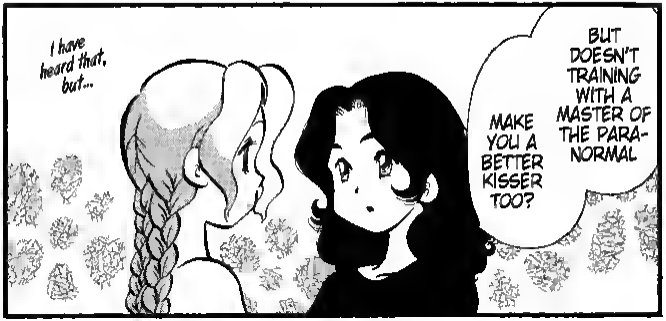
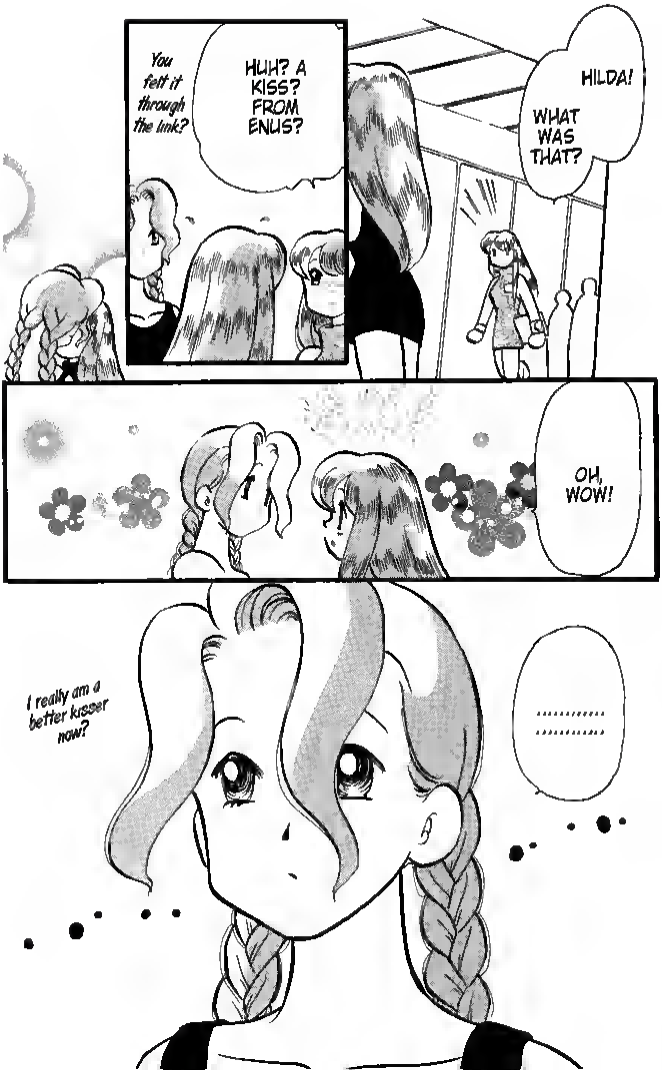

ENUS!
ALL BETTER NOW?
YES.
IS IT TRUE THEY MADE YOU TRAIN EVEN WHILE YOU WERE IN THE REGENERATION TANK?
Yeah.
What bad luck.
ARE YOU A BETTER KISSER NOW?
IT'S NOT LIKE SHE WAS TRAINING ME IN KISSING...


I have heard that, but...
BUT DOESN'T TRAINING WITH A MASTER OF THE PARA-NORMAL
MAKE YOU A BETTER KISSER TOO?

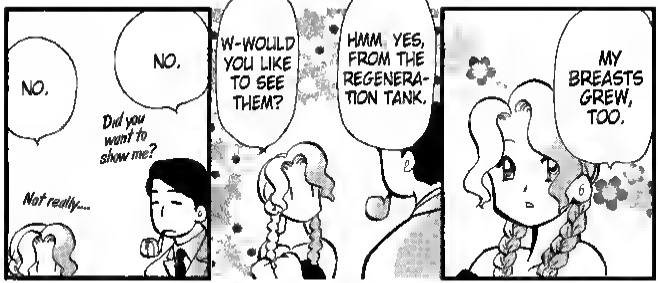
.....
kiss

?
WOW.
WOW.
HUH?
WHAT IS IT, AKIYO-RUHIME?

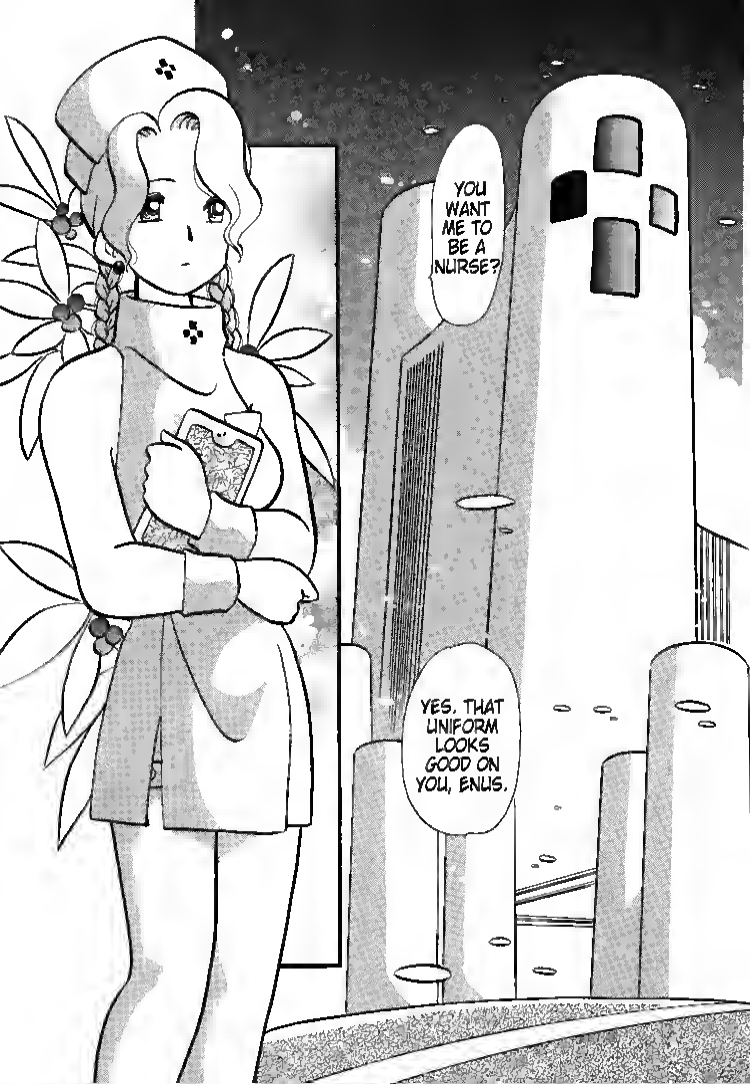

HILDA!
WHAT WAS THAT?
HUH? A KISS? FROM ENUS?
You felt it through the link?
OH, WOW!
.....
I really am a better kisser now?

OF COURSE YOU'RE A BETTER KISSER NOW. WHEN YOU IMPROVE YOUR CONCENTRATION, THAT JUST FOLLOWS NATURALLY.
I CAN'T REALLY TELL THE DIFFERENCE .....
I can't tell I'm any better at it.
OF COURSE YOU CAN'T-- YOU'RE CONCEN-TRATING ON THE KISS.
...Huh?
Anyway..... have you put on weight?
Oh! No.

YOUR HIGH-NESS.
CONGRATU-LATIONS ON MAKING A FULL RECOVERY, ENUS.
YOU'RE RIGHT. GOOD. A GIRL'S BACK IS IMPORTANT.
HMM. LET'S HAVE A LOOK.
NO, EVERY-THING HEALED PER-FECTLY.
ANY SCARS?


NO.
NO.
Did you want to show me?
Not really...
W-WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE THEM?
HMM. YES, FROM THE REGENERATION TANK.
MY BREASTS GREW, TOO.

I KNOW YOU'VE ONLY JUST RECOVERED,
BUT WE HAVE A MISSION FOR YOU. I'M SORRY.
—SO


YOU WANT ME TO BE A NURSE?
YES. THAT UNIFORM LOOKS GOOD ON YOU, ENUS.

HEY, ENUS.
YOU TWO CAN GO NOW.
YES, SIR.
I HEARD THEY PUT YOU IN A REGENERATION TANK TOO.
ARE YOU ALL HEALED NOW?
YES, I SUPPOSE.
YOU OWE SADAAK! YOUR GRATITUDE, ENUS.
HE CARRIED YOU OUT OF THE BURNING LABORATORY.

OH!
NO, IT WAS NOTHING. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
YOU TOOK THE BRUNT OF THE BLAST, SO I WASN'T TOO BADLY HURT.
LOMBADRO KUKU, THE SAURIAN, IS ONE FLOOR UP FROM HERE.
AS USUAL, YOUR MISSION IS TO GUARD HIM AND SADAAKI.
THE SAURIAN GENERAL IS HERE TOO?
HIS TAIL WAS HEAVILY INJURED.
HE'S REGROWING IT NATURALLY.

OH?
You're...
Mrowww.
MEOW.
MM-HMM. COME IN.
Shu!
HE'S MY AIDE.

MEOW.
YOU'RE THAT INTELLIGENCE-AUGMENTED CAT.
.....
NO, NOT YET.
BUT I WILL BE INSISTING HE DO SO, OF COURSE.
HE PLEDGED HIS LOYALTY TO YOU, MILORD?
WHAT'S HIS NAME?
HE'S THE ONLY FREE INTELLIGENCE-AUGMENTED CAT AROUND AT THE MOMENT.
BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED TO THE LABORATORY,

WIN-SLOW.
I'M CHANG-ING IT, OF COURSE.
LO BARO TELOH--A PROPER SAURIAN NAME.
MEOW.
—AND THERE YOU HAVE IT. WE'LL BE COUNTING ON YOU, ENUS.
BUT YOUR HIGHNESS —
Shu!
Hssss

YES, I SUPPOSE.
..Wait, so I have to do real work as a nurse, too?
THEY'RE TRAINING YOU, RIGHT?
WE'VE LISTED YOU AS A TEMPORARY NURSE.
IT'S BETTER IF YOU BLEND IN.
DO I REALLY NEED TO DRESS UP LIKE A NURSE?
..
I'M GOING TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RELAX FOR A WHILE.
AND PLEASE, CALL ME SADAAKI.
WELL, THIS SORT OF THING IS COMMON AMONG MY FAMILY.
THREE WEEKS IN A REGENERATION TANK.....
YOUR INJURIES MUST HAVE BEEN PRETTY SERIOUS, MARQUIS TOUJO.

THANK YOU FOR SAVING ME.
I TOLD YOU, NO THANKS ARE NECESSARY.
THOUGH KISSES ARE WELCOME ANYTIME.
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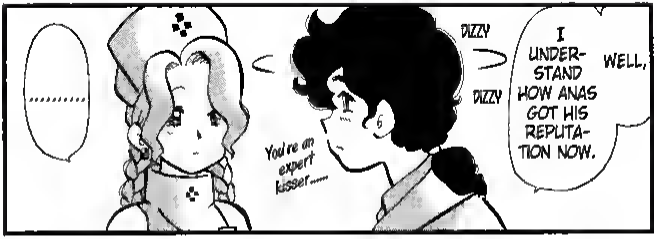
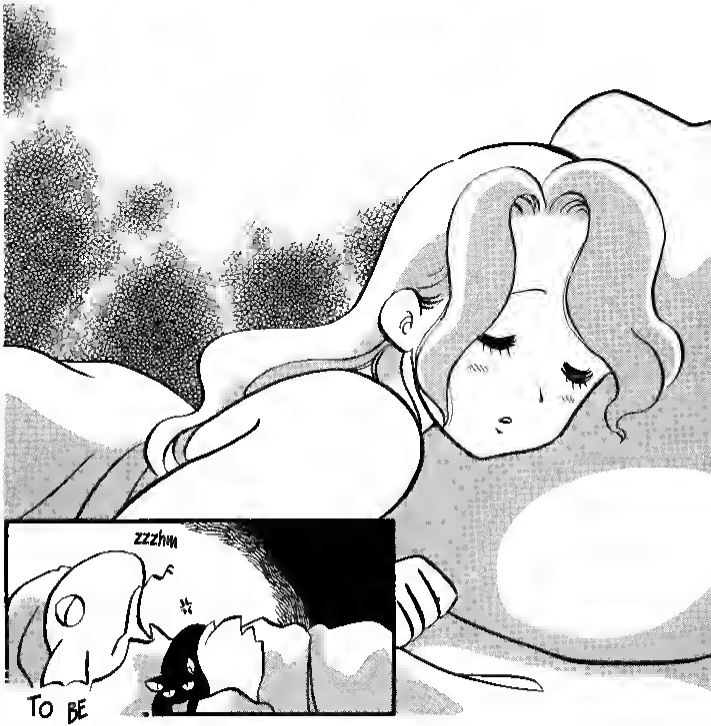
ENUS,
YOU .....
OH!
UM,
.....COULD I HAVE ANOTHER?
OH! NO, NOTHING.
UM..... WAS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH IT?





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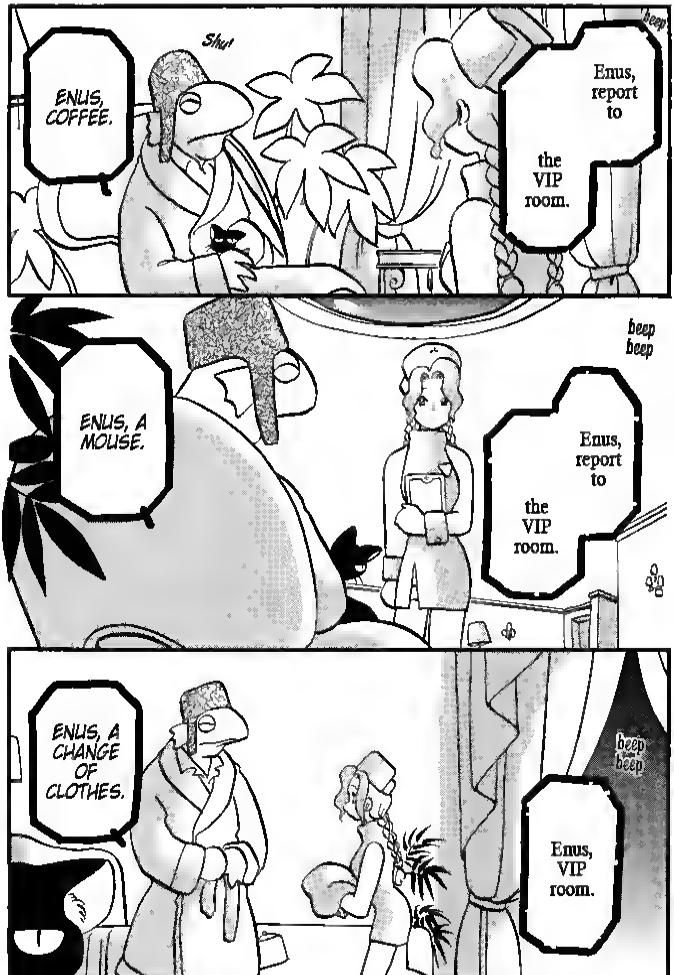

beep
Shut
ENUS, COFFEE.
Enus, report to the VIP room.
beep beep
ENUS, A MOUSE.
Enus, report to the VIP room.
ENUS, A CHANGE OF CLOTHES.
beep beep
Enus, VIP room.

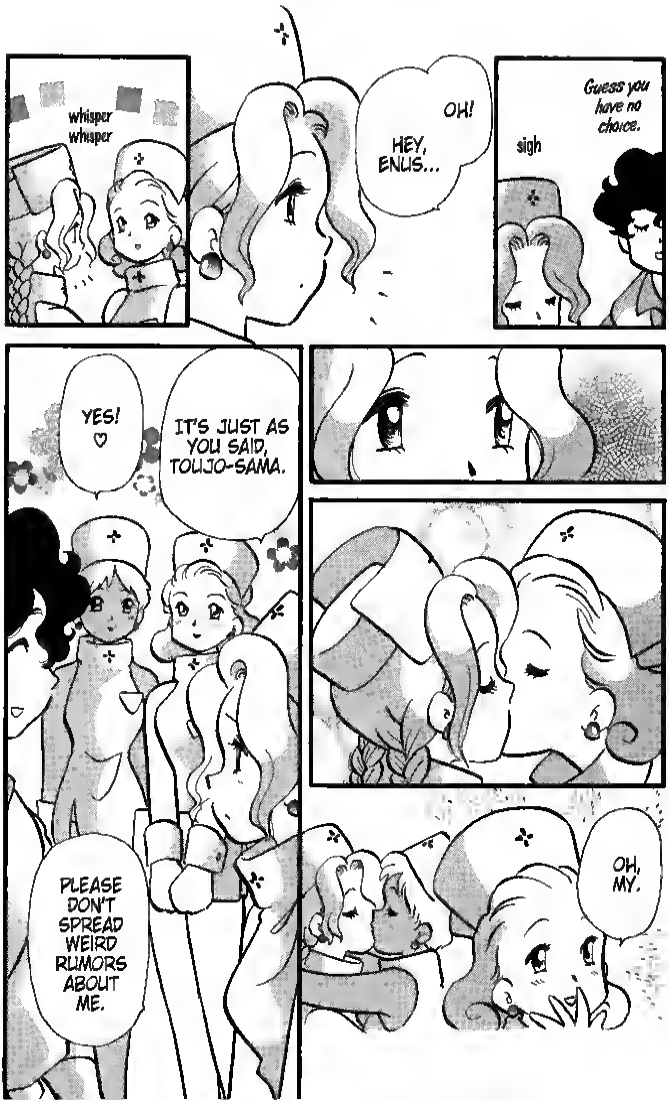
beep beep
Enus.
Mrowww!
LO BARO TELOH SEEMS TO LIKE YOU.
I don't understand cat-speak.
Mrowww! Mrowww! Mrowww!
MASSAGE.
beep beep
Enus, report to the marquis's room.

CAN I HELP YOU?
HEY, ENUS.
I DON'T NEED ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR .....
I JUST THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE A BREAK.
THANK YOU!
FLOP

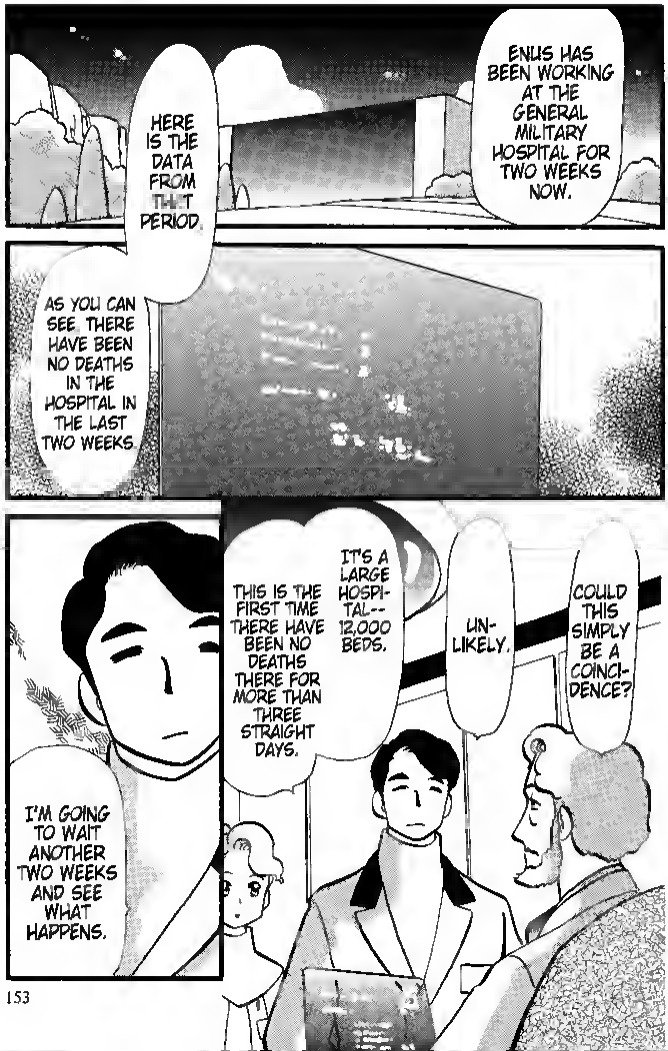
THE GENERAL HAS PLENTY OF ATTENDANTS RIGHT OUTSIDE HIS ROOM.
WHY DO I KEEP GETTING CALLED IN?
HAHAHA. HIGH-RANKING SAURIANS HATE FOR OTHERS TO SEE THEIR TAILS BEFORE THEY'RE FINISHED REGROWING.
BUT HE DOESN'T MIND IF I SEE IT?
LOOKS LIKE YOU DON'T COUNT--
WE MAMMALS ARE LOWER LIFE FORMS TO THEM.
Can't the ask the other nurses for help, then?
WELL, IT IS TRUE THAT WE DON'T HAVE TAILS.....
beep beep
Enus, report to the VIP room.

THIS IS TOUJO. ENUS WILL BE OCCUPIED FOR A WHILE LONGER.
Excuse me, milord?
OH! PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT.
SEE YOU .....
THANK YOU. SORRY FOR THE TROUBLE.
OF COURSE.

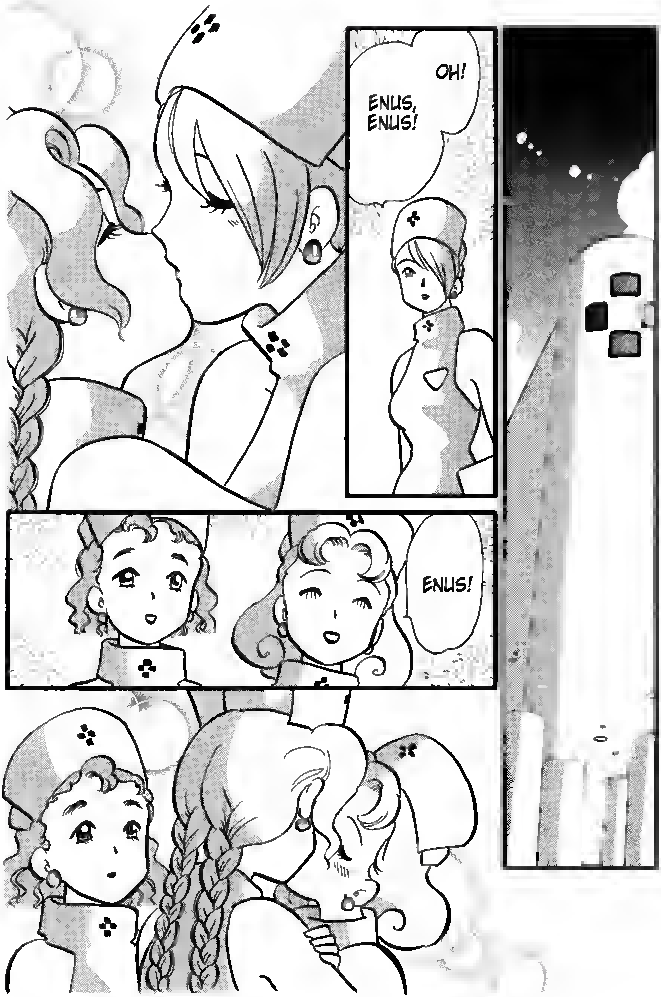
MMMM.
I WOULDN'T TURN DOWN AN EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE.
Really?
You're amazing.
WOW.
WE'LL TAKE OVER HERE. ENUS, PLEASE GO TO THE VIP ROOM.
EXCUSE US.


whisper whisper
HEY, ENUS...
OH!
sigh
Guess you have no choice.
IT'S JUST AS YOU SAID, TOUJO-SAMA.
YES! ♡
PLEASE DON'T SPREAD WEIRD RUMORS ABOUT ME.
OH, MY.

Shu.
sigh
YOU'RE STIFF.
Mrow mrow
Shut
Hissss!!
No wonder it was so heavy.....
HARDER.

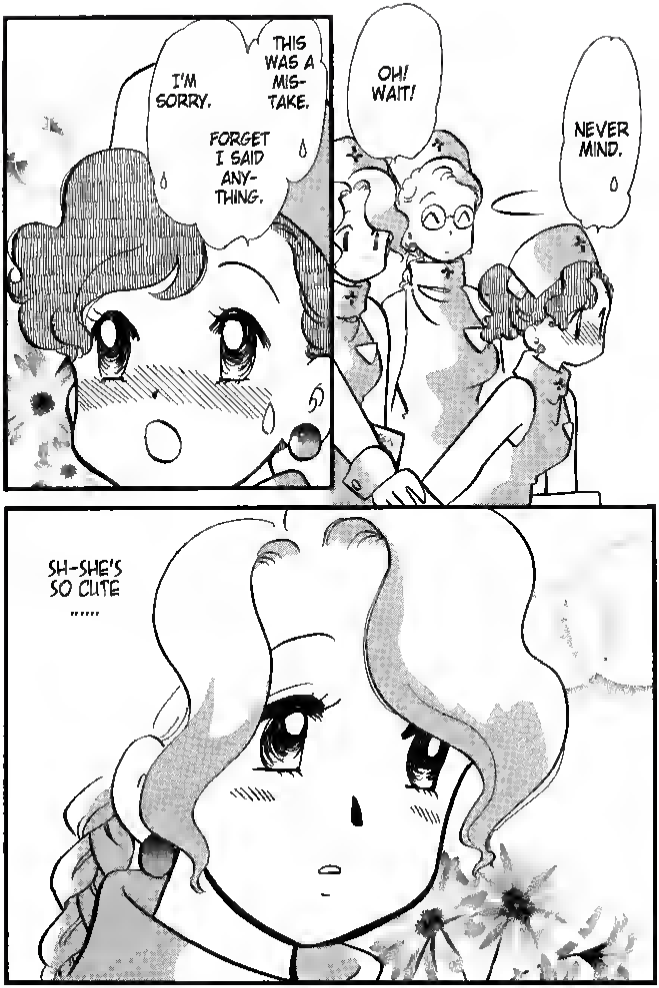

ENUS HAS BEEN WORKING AT THE GENERAL MILITARY HOSPITAL FOR TWO WEEKS NOW.
HERE IS THE DATA FROM THAT PERIOD.
AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE HAVE BEEN NO DEATHS IN THE HOSPITAL IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS.
COULD THIS SIMPLY BE A COINCI-DENCE?
UN-LIKELY.
IT'S A LARGE HOSPI-TAL--12,000 BEDS.
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THERE HAVE BEEN NO DEATHS THERE FOR MORE THAN THREE STRAIGHT DAYS.
I'M GOING TO WAIT ANOTHER TWO WEEKS AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS.

LET'S ALSO ENSURE THAT ANY HEAVILY-WOUNDED ACCIDENT VICTIMS IN THE AREA ARE SENT TO THIS HOSPITAL.
MM-HMM.
STILL .....
IF SHE DOES HAVE THE POWER TO PREVENT FATALITIES,
—THAT COULD HAVE FRIGHTFUL CONSEQUENCES.
YOU'RE RIGHT.
—IT WOULD BE FRIGHTFUL.


OH!
ENUS, ENUS!
ENUS!

MAYBE I SHOULD TRY ONE TOO.
.....IF THEY SHOULD REACH THE PRINCE'S EARS...
I GET THE FEELING THERE ARE WEIRD RUMORS GOING AROUND ABOUT ME.

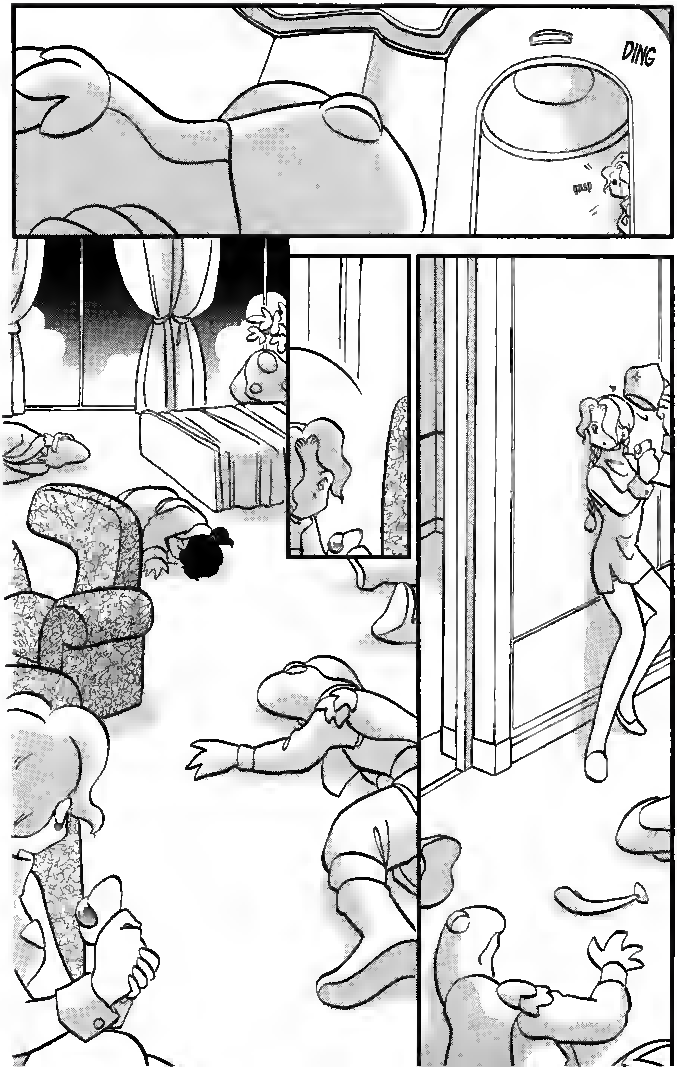
OH! NOTHING.
WHAT'S WRONG, ENUS?
A little more gossip might not be such a bad thing after all.....
WHAT IS IT? YOU WANT A KISS?
EXCUSE ME, ENUS?
A LITTLE CURIOUS .....
I'M JUST,
LIM,
OH! NO! I-... IT'S NOT LIKE I'M DYING TO DO IT OR ANYTHING...

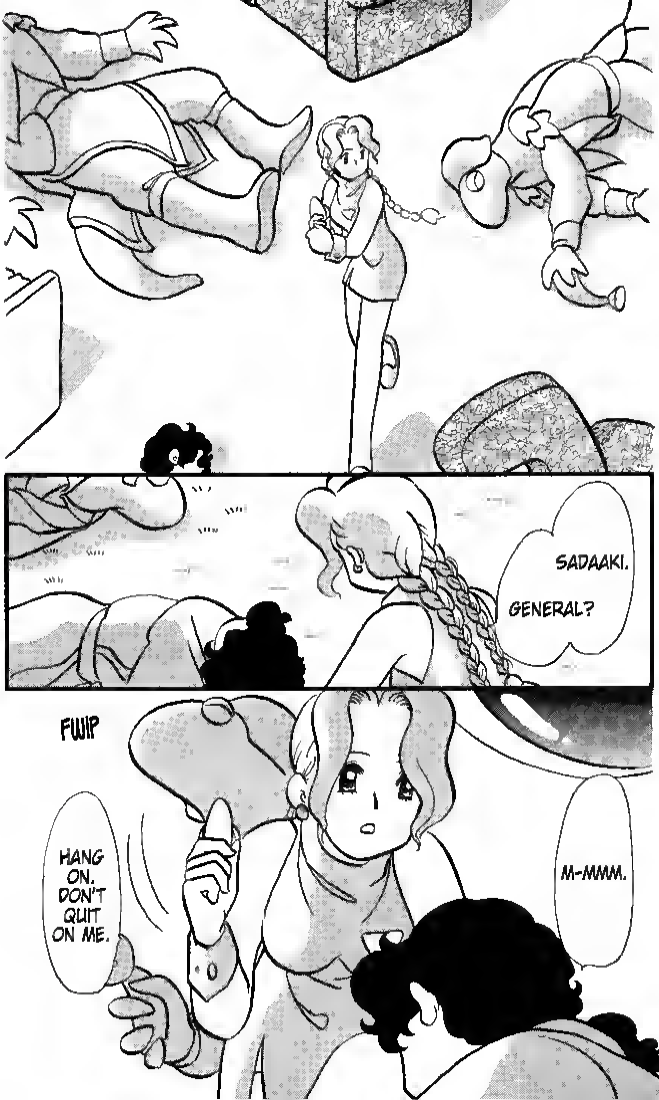

I'M SORRY.
THIS WAS A MIS-TAKE.
FORGET I SAID ANY-THING.
OH! WAIT!
NEVER MIND.
SH-SHE'S SO CUTE
.....

Mmph!
Mmmmph!
Mmmm. Mmmm.
OH!
HEY!
ENUS!
UM,
ENUS--
TUG

I-I'm fine...
ARE YOU OKAY?
EEP!
SLUMP
KISSING IS FUN.
EEK!
BOOM

LOOKS LIKE THERE WAS SOME SORT OF EXPLOSION DOWN ON FLOOR 60.
gasp
DING
WHERE'S THE MAR-QUIS?
ONE FLOOR UP-- IN THE GENERAL'S ROOM.
DON'T LET ANYONE THROUGH,
NOT EVEN THE OTHER NURSES.


DING
gasp


SADAAKI.
GENERAL?
FWIP
HANG ON, DON'T QUIT ON ME.
M-MMM.

Sha!
gasp
hissss
PSHOO PSHOO

I CANNOT BELIEVE THAT THERE WAS A SPY AMONG MY GUARDS.
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, GENERAL?
GEEZ. GOOD THING WE'RE ALREADY IN A HOSPITAL.
I'M ALL RIGHT .....
SADAAKI.
LO BARO TELOH.
THANKS, WINSLOW. YOU SAVED MY LIFE.
MEOW.

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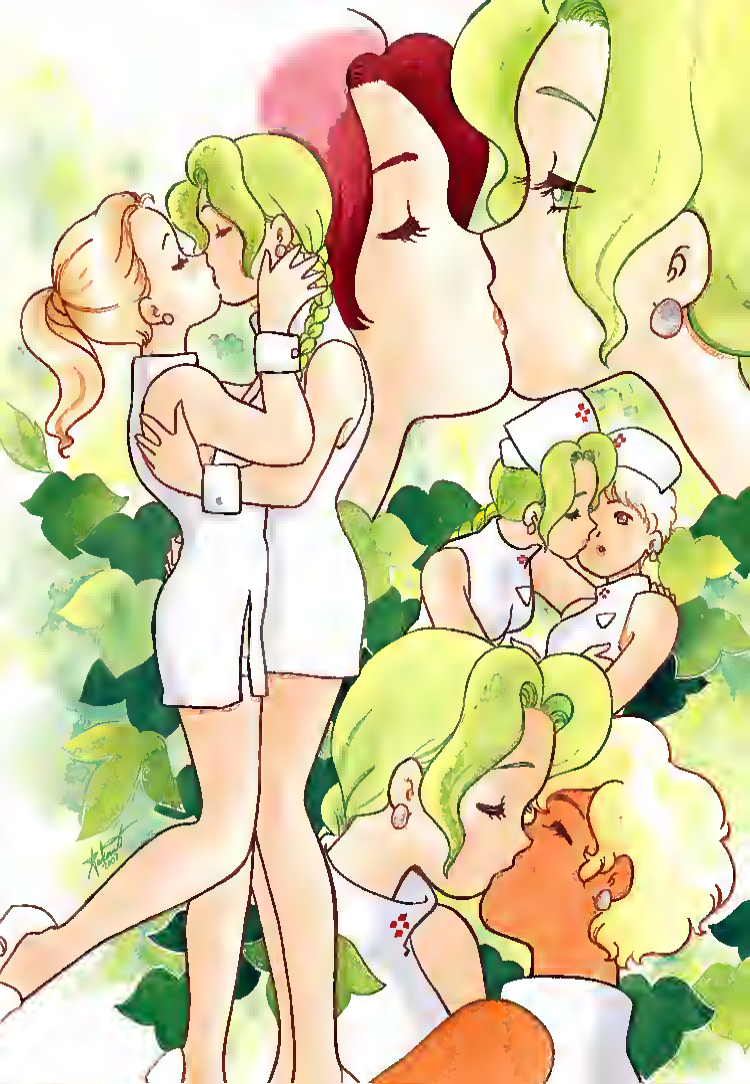
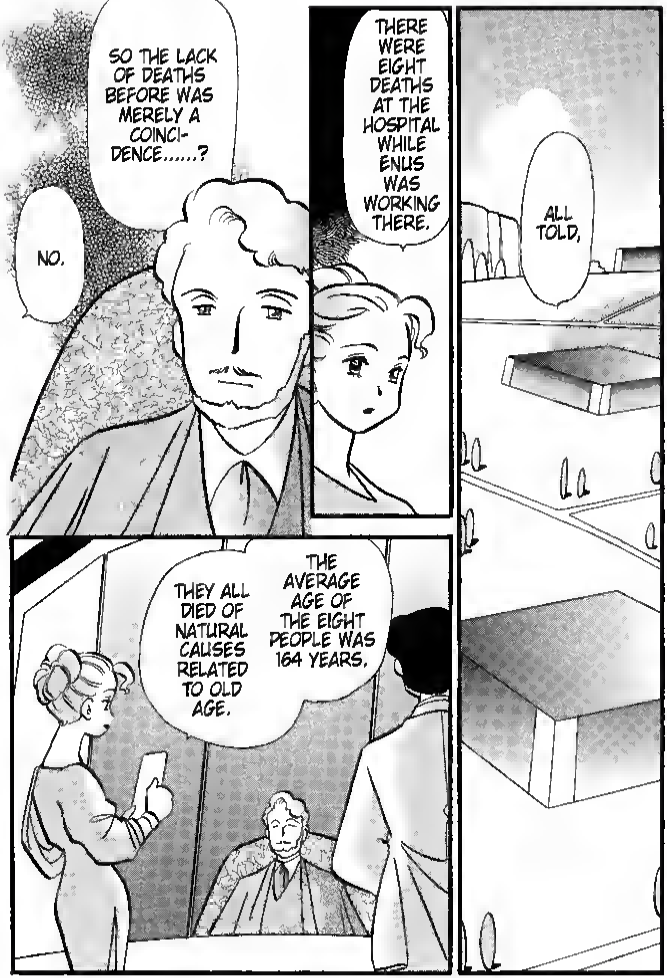


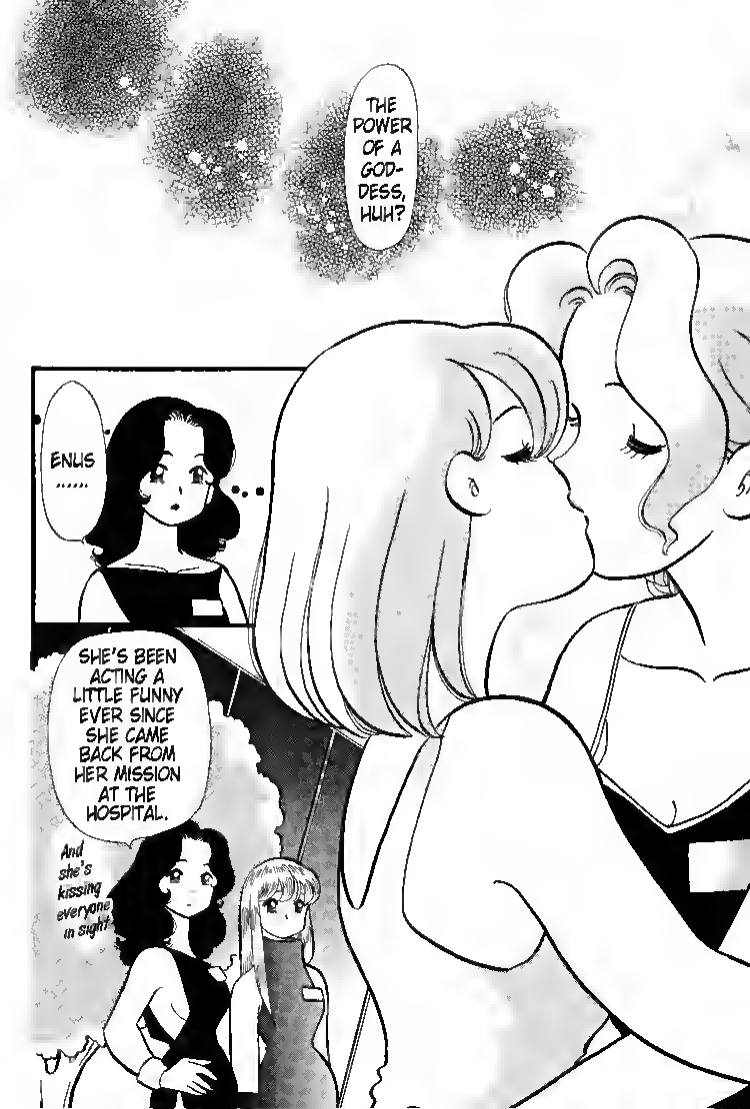
WHAT'S WRONG, ENUS?
YOU LOOK SAD TO LEAVE.
DID YOU ENJOY BEING A NURSE THAT MUCH?
OH! NO.

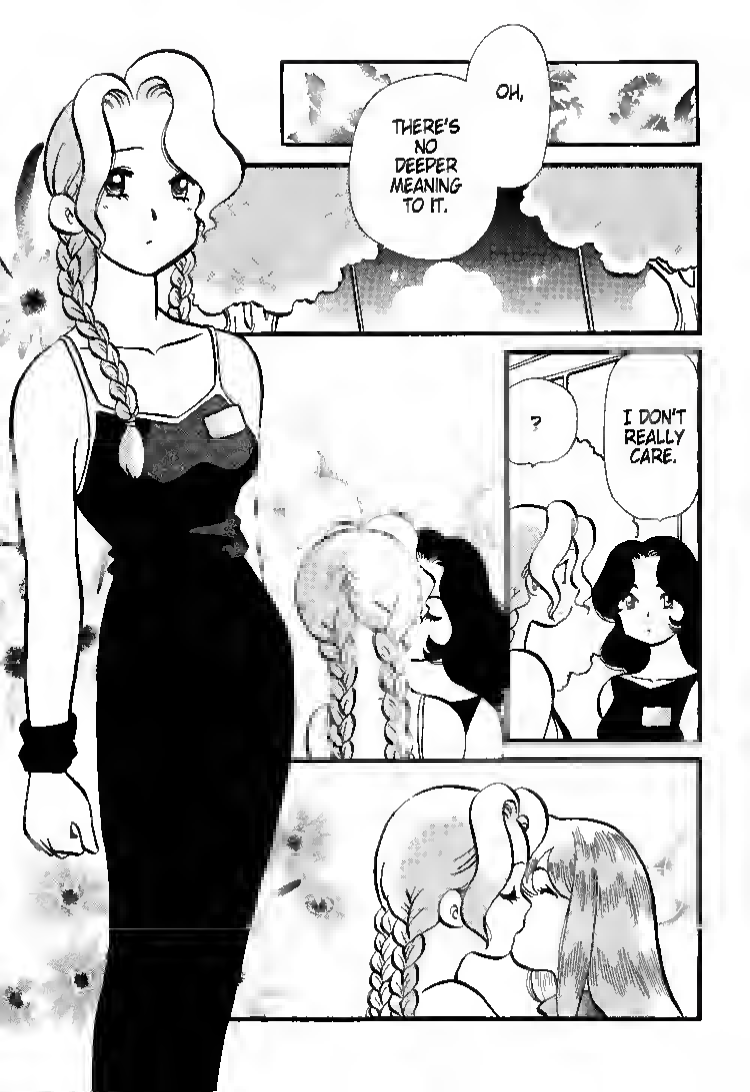
WELL, I'M A REALLY, REALLY GOOD KISSER NOW.
HM?
LIM, YOUR HIGH-NESS?
YES, THAT HAPPENS TO EVERYONE WHEN THEY STUDY UNDER ATAKUI.
.....THAT'S RIGHT

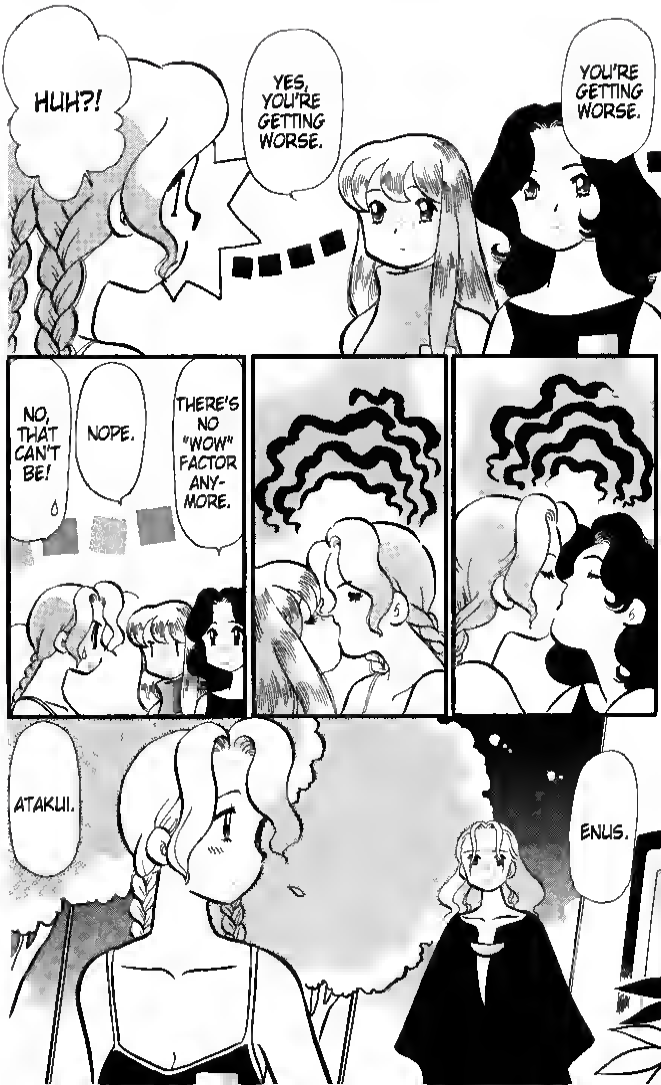

ALL TOLD,
THERE WERE EIGHT DEATHS AT THE HOSPITAL WHILE ENUS WAS WORKING THERE.
SO THE LACK OF DEATHS BEFORE WAS MERELY A COINCI-DENCE.....?
NO.
THE AVERAGE AGE OF THE EIGHT PEOPLE WAS 164 YEARS.
THEY ALL DIED OF NATURAL CAUSES RELATED TO OLD AGE.

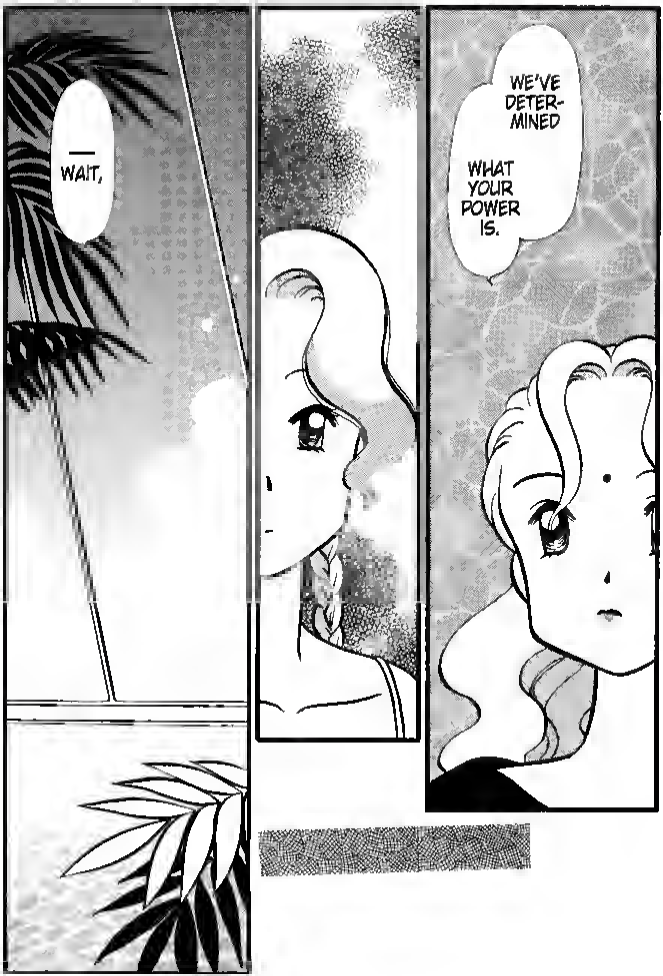
I THINK WE CAN SAFELY SAY THAT THERE WERE NO DEATHS DUE TO INJURY OR SICKNESS IN THE TIME ENUS WAS THERE.
IT'S CLEAR THAT PEOPLE DO NOT DIE AROUND HER, EXCEPT FROM NATURAL CAUSES.
THAT IS TRUE,
BUT THE PEOPLE ON THE VERGE OF DEATH DON'T SPONTANEOUSLY RECOVER, EITHER.
MM-HMM.
WHEN LOMBADRO KUKU WAS ATTACKED, THERE WERE NO FATALITIES AMONG THE SAURIANS EITHER.
I CAN'T STATE THIS CONCLUSIVELY YET, BUT IT SEEMS THAT ENUS'S POWER ISN'T LIMITED TO HUMAN BEINGS.

PRE-
VENTING
DEATH
.....
THAT'S
THE
POWER
OF A
GODDESS
OF GOOD
FORTUNE.
IT'S AN
INCREDIBLE
ABILITY
INDEED.
WE'LL NEED TO
DO A BIT MORE
RESEARCH TO
DETERMINE
HOW LARGE AN
AREA HER
POWER CAN
COVER.
THOUGH WE
CANNOT
DETERMINE
WHETHER HER
POWER ALSO
WORKS ON
HERSELF,

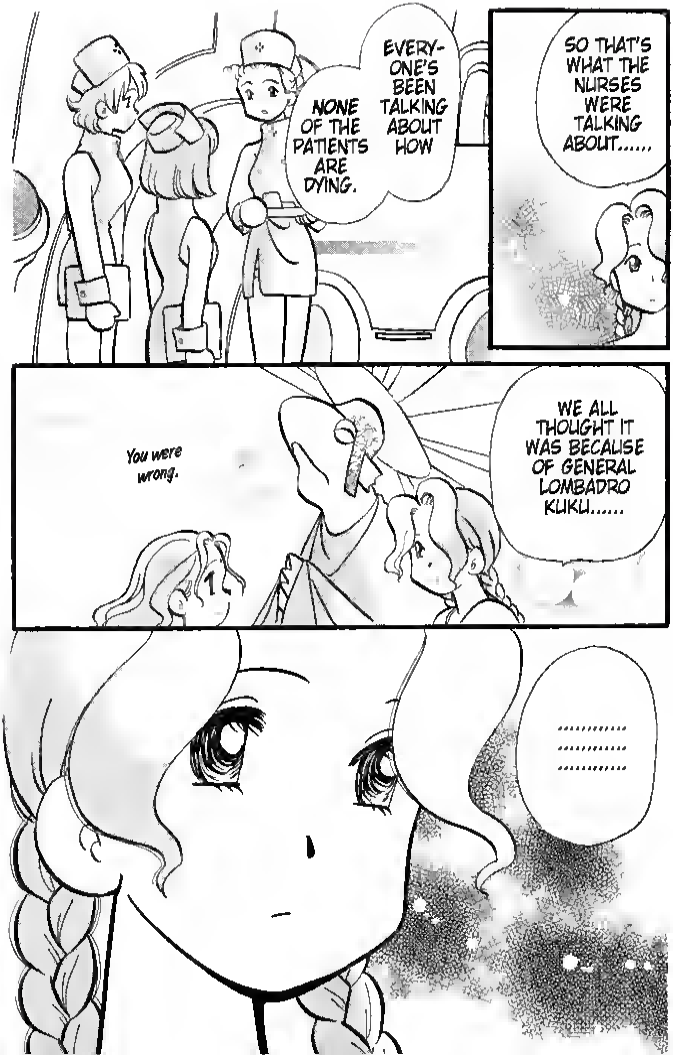

THE POWER OF A GOD-DESS, HUH?
ENUS .....
SHE'S BEEN ACTING A LITTLE FUNNY EVER SINCE SHE CAME BACK FROM HER MISSION AT THE HOSPITAL.
And she's kissing everyone in sight!


OH,
THERE'S NO DEEPER MEANING TO IT.
?
I DON'T REALLY CARE.


HUH?!
YES, YOU'RE GETTING WORSE.
YOU'RE GETTING WORSE.
NO, THAT CAN'T BE!
NOPE.
THERE'S NO "WOW" FACTOR ANY-MORE.
ATAKUI.
ENUS.


WE'VE DETER-
MINED
WHAT
YOUR
POWER
IS.
—
WAIT,

THERE ARE POWERS LIKE THAT?
That's right.
SO PEOPLE DON'T DIE AROUND ME?
.....
.....
.....
I... DON'T KNOW EITHER.


EVERY-ONE'S BEEN TALKING ABOUT HOW
NONE OF THE PATIENTS ARE DYING.
SO THAT'S WHAT THE NURSES WERE TALKING ABOUT.....
WE ALL THOUGHT IT WAS BECAUSE OF GENERAL LOMBADRO KUKU.....
You were wrong.
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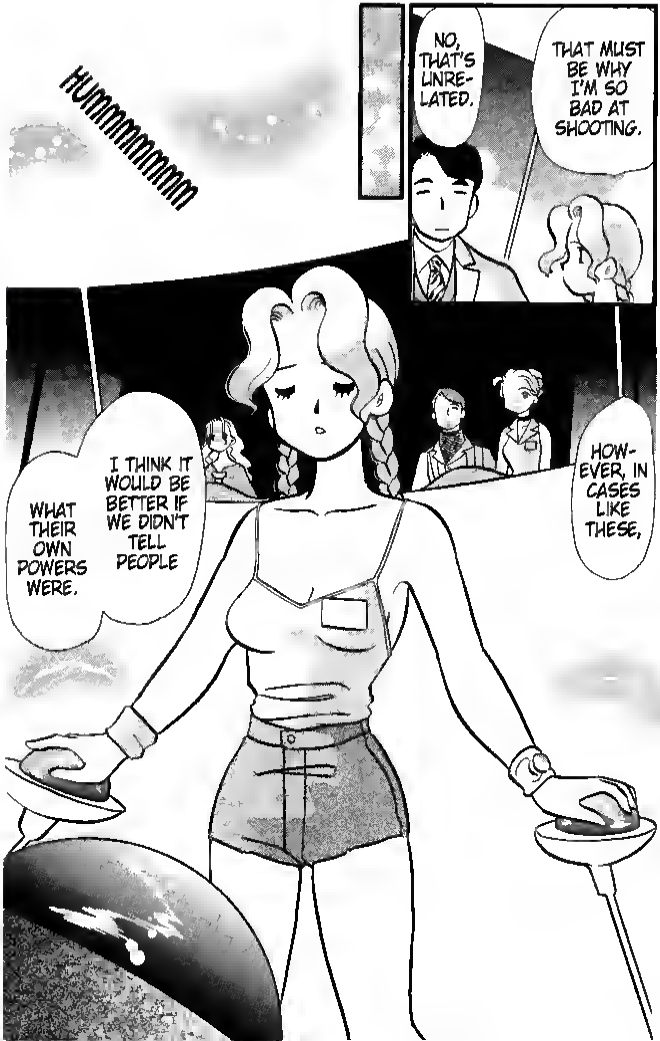
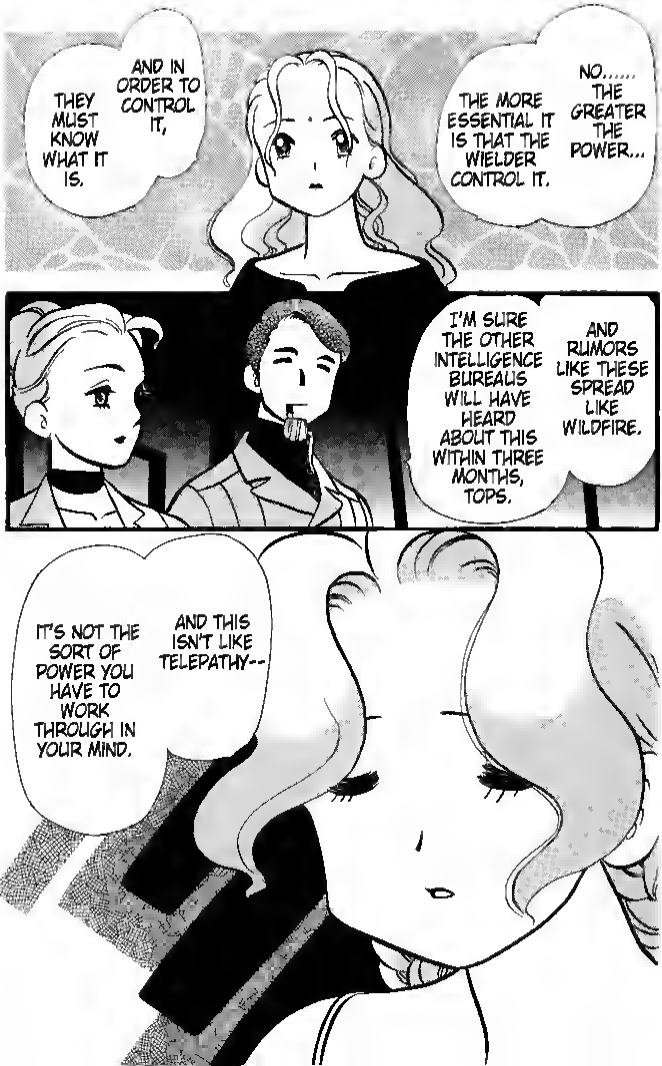
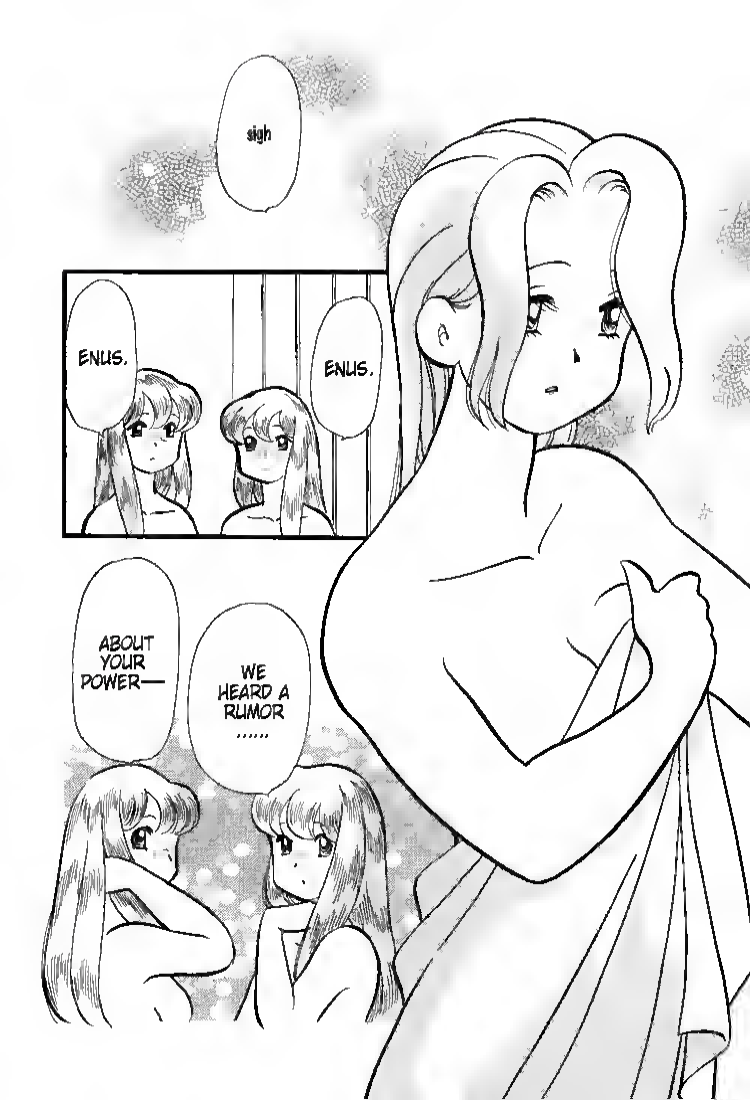

HUMMMMMMMMMM
NO, THAT'S UNRELATED.
THAT MUST BE WHY I'M SO BAD AT SHOOTING.
HOWEVER, IN CASES LIKE THESE,
I THINK IT WOULD BE BETTER IF WE DIDN'T TELL PEOPLE
WHAT THEIR OWN POWERS WERE.


NO..... THE GREATER THE POWER...
THE MORE ESSENTIAL IT IS THAT THE WIELDER CONTROL IT.
AND IN ORDER TO CONTROL IT,
THEY MUST KNOW WHAT IT IS.
AND RUMORS LIKE THESE SPREAD LIKE WILDFIRE.
I'M SURE THE OTHER INTELLIGENCE BUREAUS WILL HAVE HEARD ABOUT THIS WITHIN THREE MONTHS, TOPS.
AND THIS ISN'T LIKE TELEPATHY--
IT'S NOT THE SORT OF POWER YOU HAVE TO WORK THROUGH IN YOUR MIND.

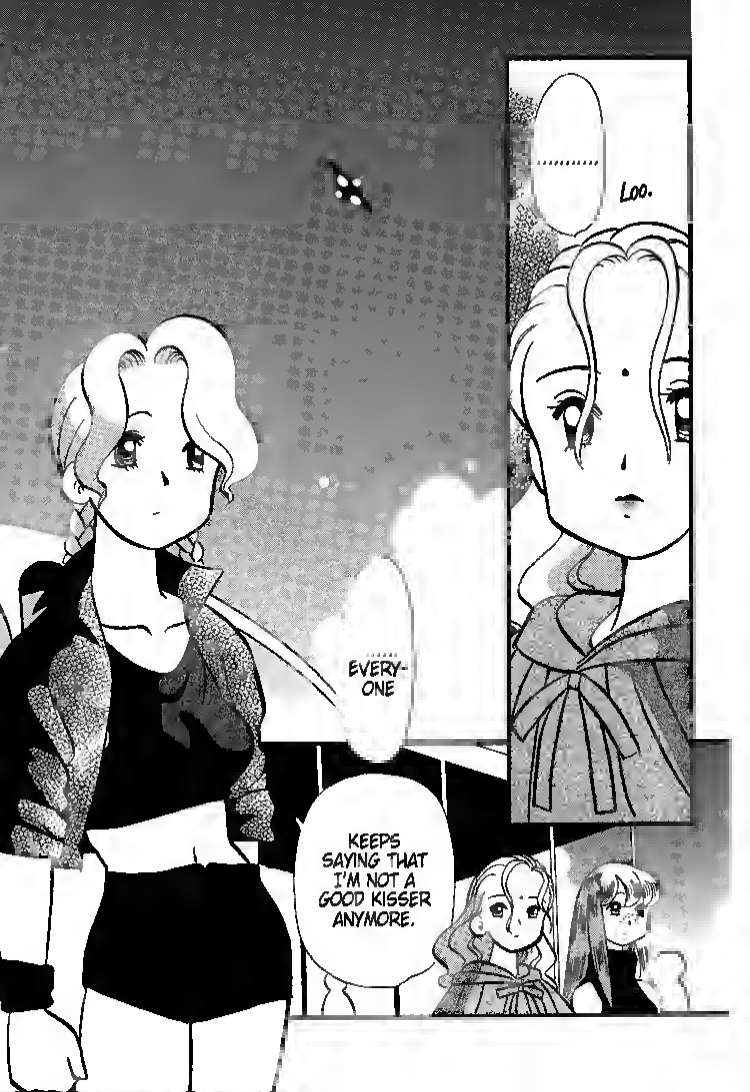

sigh
ENUS.
ENUS.
ABOUT YOUR POWER—
WE HEARD A RUMOR .....

IS IT TRUE THAT YOU'RE IMMORTAL?
NO.
SO EVEN AN IMMORTAL CAN END UP IN A REGENERATION TANK FOR A MONTH...
YEAH.
THAT'S NOT MY POWER!
WITH WEIRD RUMORS, THE BEST THING TO DO IS TO JUST IGNORE THEM.
YES, SIR.
ANYWAY, WE'LL BE WORKING ON YOUR CONCENTRATION FOR A WHILE...
ALL RIGHT, ENUS?
YES, YOUR HIGHNESS.

SHU.
ENJU!
♡
THANKS FOR EVERYTHING.
Shu shu!
THIS PLANET IS SO REMOTE THAT IT'S BEYOND ANY NEST-FATHER'S INFLUENCE. BUT THE COFFEE IS GOOD.

Shu!
LO BARO TELOH.
MEOW.
THAT GOES FOR YOU TOO, WINSLOW.
Shu.
PLEASE TAKE CARE, GENERAL.
HE DOESN'T LIKE YOU.
hissss
THAT'S JUST YOUR IMAGI-NATION.
SNATCH
OH!
DASH

I'LL BE TAKING HER PLACE FOR NOW, MILORD.
IT'S A SHAME WE CAN'T REQUEST THAT YOU CONTINUE GUARDING US.
HMM .....
HOW ABOUT A GOODBYE KISS, ENUS?
ARE YOU SLIPPING A BIT, ENUS?
That one didn't make my head spin.
Gah!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Loo.
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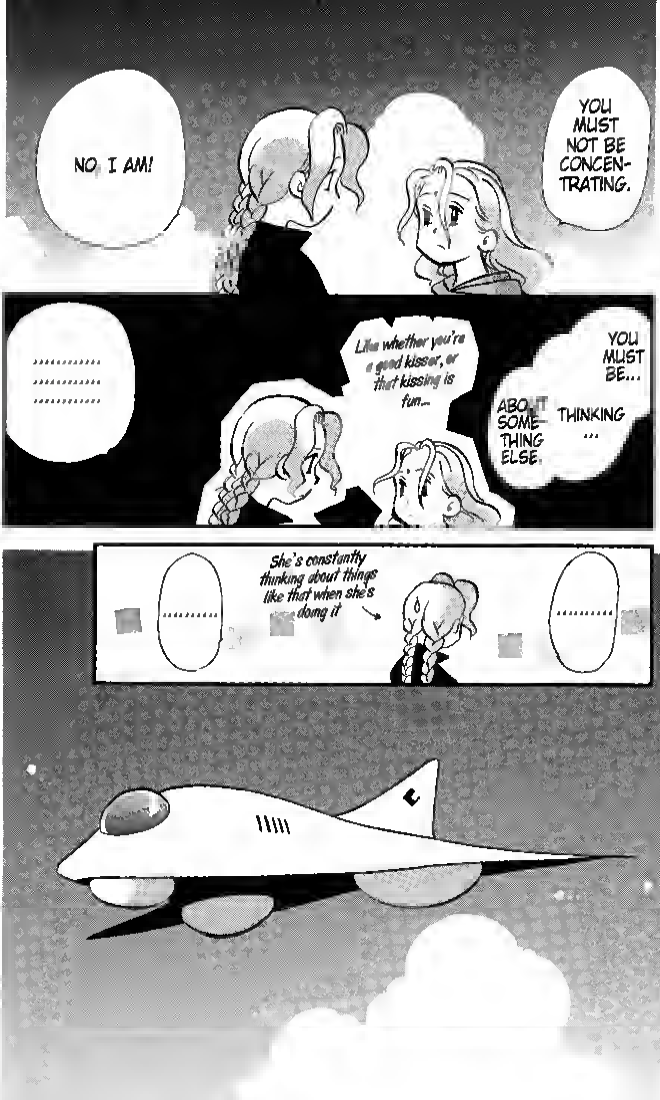
EVERY-
ONE
KEEPS SAYING THAT I'M NOT A GOOD KISSER ANYMORE.


NO, I AM!
YOU MUST NOT BE CONCENTRATING.
.....
.....
.....
Like whether you're a good kisser, or that kissing is fun...
YOU MUST BE...
ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE.
THINKING ...
She's constantly thinking about things like that when she's doing it
.....
.....

IT'S AN EMERGENCY!
THE SHUTTLE WAS BEEN HIJACKED!
OH!

THE EMERGENCY DEFENSE SYSTEM CAME ON, PARALYZING EVERYONE. THEY'VE ALL COLLAPSED.
TERRORISTS SNUCK ONTO THE SHUTTLE AS PASSENGERS AND BODYGUARDS FOR THE MARQUIS.
DOES THAT MEAN THE AUTOPILOT ISN'T ON?
NO RESPONSE FROM THE NAVIGATION COMPUTER
I'M UNABLE TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THE SHUTTLE
DOES THAT MEAN NOBODY'S FLYING THE SHUTTLE?
WAIT, IS THE PILOT PARALYZED TOO?
THE AUTOMATIC NAVIGATION SYSTEM ISN'T WORKING.

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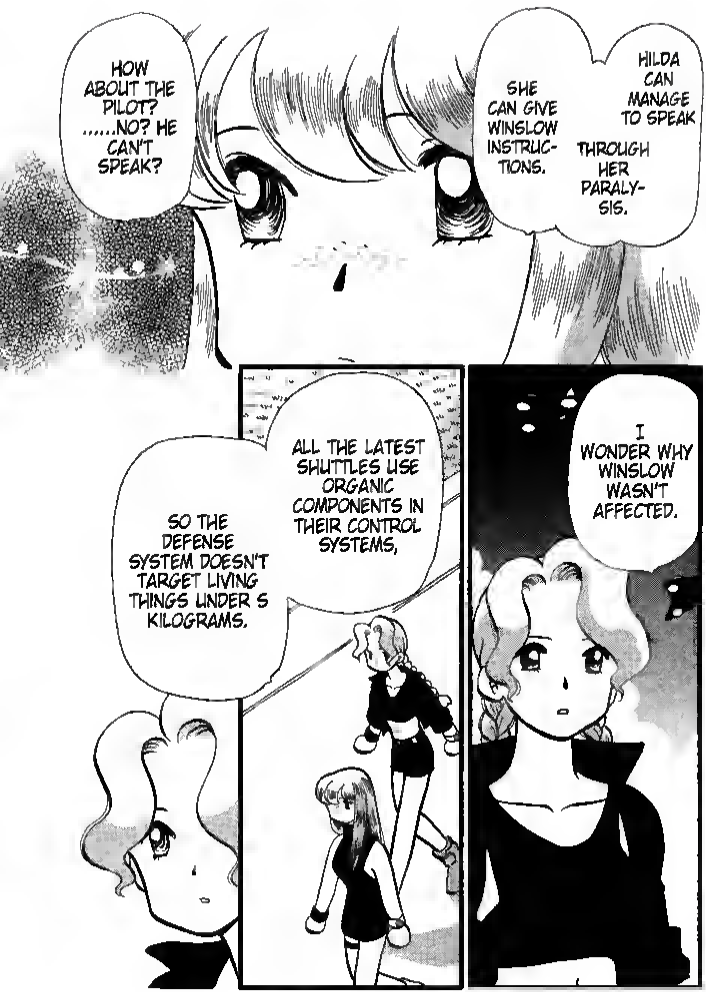
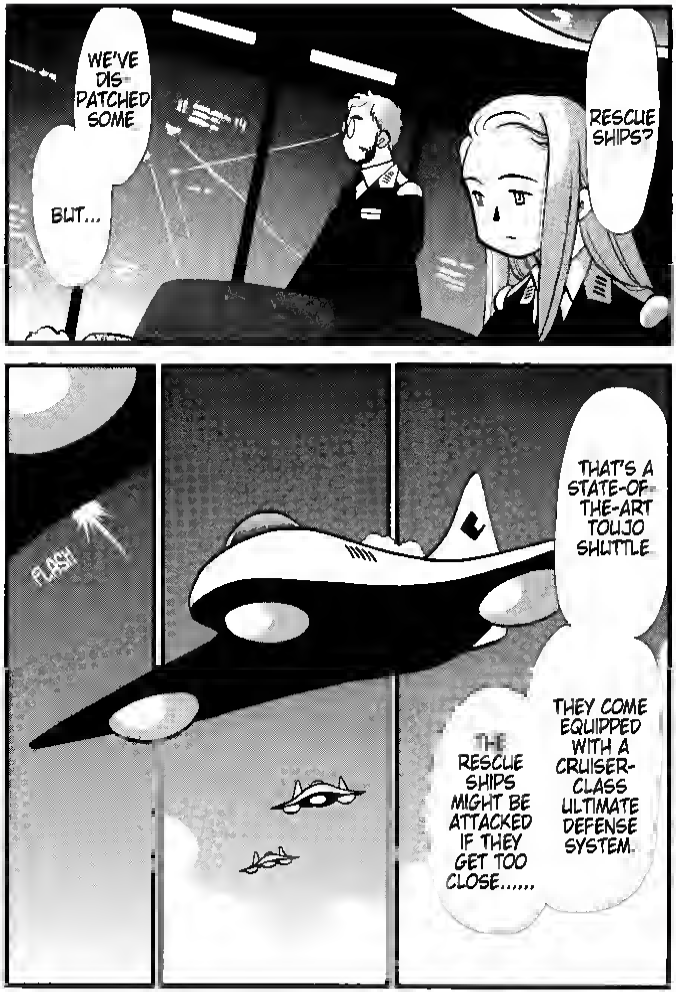
I'M RECEIVING A DISTRESS CALL.
HOW CAN THE SHUTTLE STILL BE FLYING, THEN?
NONE OF THE CREW OR PASSENGERS ARE CAPABLE OF ACTION AT THIS TIME.
WEEEE
IT'S NO GOOD. I CAN'T OPEN A CHANNEL.
WEEEE
WHO THE HECK IS PILOTING IT?
IT'S TRYING TO MAINTAIN ITS PRESENT ALTITUDE.
I CAN'T ACCESS THE NAVIGATION COMPUTER, EITHER. IT'S SET ON MANUAL.

IS THE MANUAL NAVIGATION STILL WORKING?
WAIT, DOES WINSLOW EVEN KNOW HOW TO PILOT A SHUTTLE?
THE OTHERS MIGHT NOT HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER EITHER.
THE AUTOMATIC NAVIGATION SYSTEM, THE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM...
HE TOOK OUT A BUNCH OF OTHER SYSTEMS TOO.
APPARENTLY, WHEN PRINCE ROMALY USED HIS POWERS TO DESTROY THE EXPLOSIVES THE PERPETRATORS BROUGHT ON BOARD,

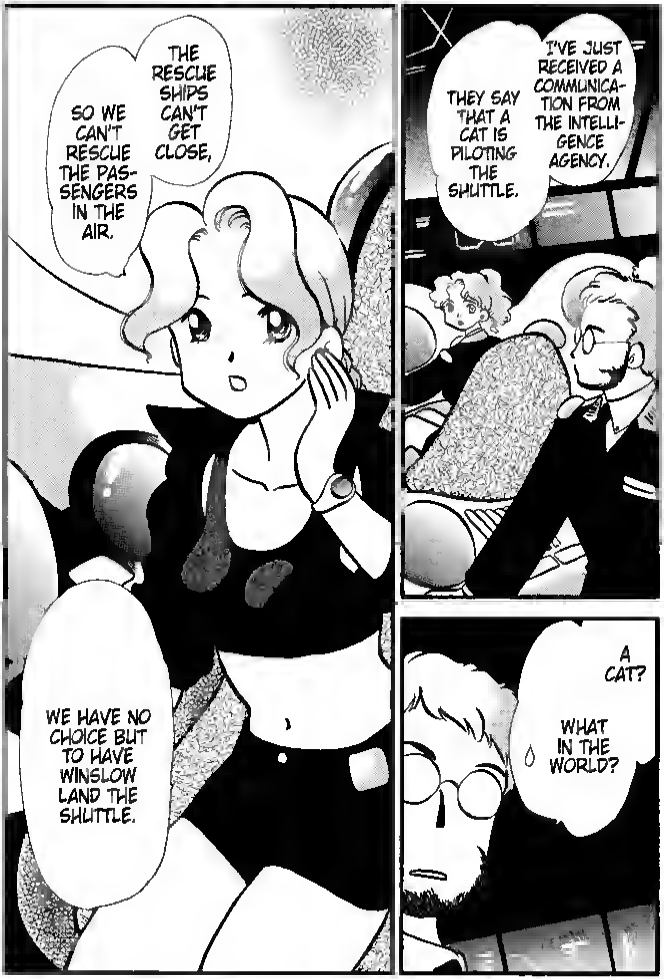
YOWL
YOWL
.....
I'M PRETTY SURE HE'S SAYING THAT
HE DOESN'T.


HOW ABOUT THE PILOT? .....NO? HE CAN'T SPEAK?
SHE CAN GIVE WINSLOW INSTRUC-TIONS.
HILDA CAN MANAGE TO SPEAK THROUGH HER PARALY-SIS.
SO THE DEFENSE SYSTEM DOESN'T TARGET LIVING THINGS UNDER 5 KILOGRAMS.
ALL THE LATEST SHUTTLES USE ORGANIC COMPONENTS IN THEIR CONTROL SYSTEMS,
I WONDER WHY WINSLOW WASN'T AFFECTED.

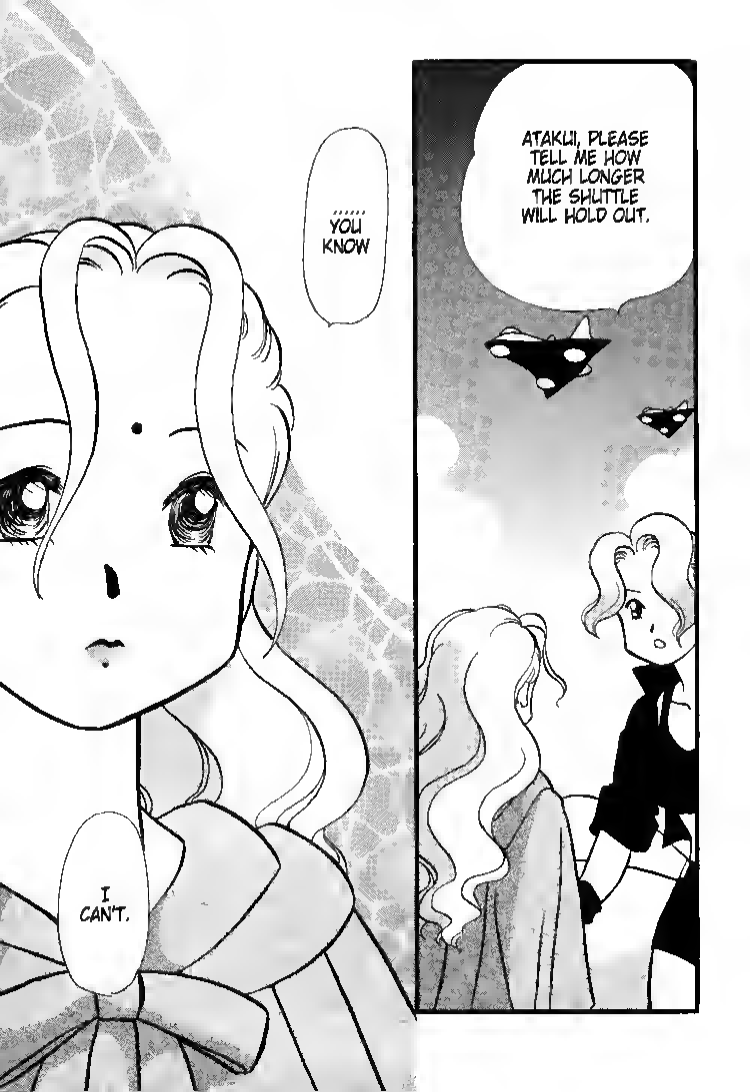
boom
hiss
CRACKLE CRACKLE
WINSLOW ..... ENLIS SAYS TO DO YOUR BEST.....
MRAWH!


WE'VE DISPATCHED SOME
BUT...
RESCUE SHIPS?
FLASH
THAT'S A STATE-OF-THE-ART TOUJO SHUTTLE
THEY COME EQUIPPED WITH A CRUISER-CLASS ULTIMATE DEFENSE SYSTEM.
THE RESCUE SHIPS MIGHT BE ATTACKED IF THEY GET TOO CLOSE.....

BOOM
THE RESCUE SHIPS HAVE BEEN ATTACKED.
TELL THEM TO PULL BACK FOR NOW!
THE SHUTTLE'S DEFENSE SYSTEM IS STILL FUNCTIONING.

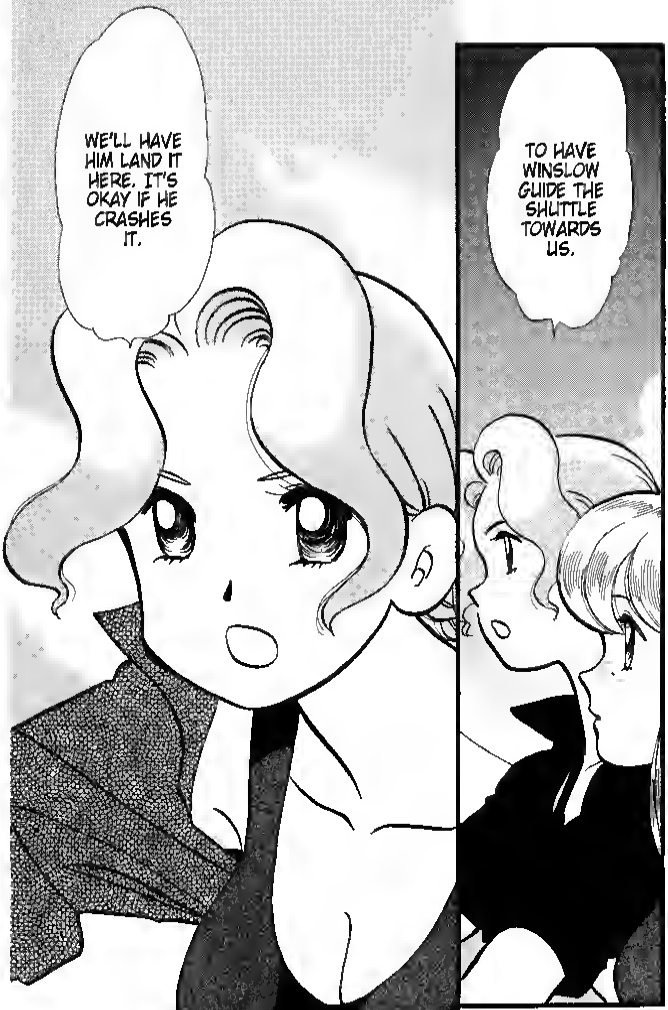

I'VE JUST RECEIVED A COMMUNICATION FROM THE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.
THEY SAY THAT A CAT IS PILOTING THE SHUTTLE.
A CAT?
WHAT IN THE WORLD?
THE RESCUE SHIPS CAN'T GET CLOSE,
SO WE CAN'T RESCUE THE PASSENGERS IN THE AIR.
WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO HAVE WINSLOW LAND THE SHUTTLE.

THE CONTROL PANEL IS TOO BIG.
IT'S PHYSICALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM.
He can't reach.


ATAKU, PLEASE TELL ME HOW MUCH LONGER THE SHUTTLE WILL HOLD OUT.
.....
YOU KNOW
I CAN'T.

I KNOW.
BUT PLEASE TELL ME ANYWAY!
I CAN'T.
ATAKU!!
I'M SUDDENLY NEEDED ELSE-WHERE.
I NEED TO LEAVE SOON.
In around 15 minutes.

gasp
PLEASE CLEAR THE EMERGENCY LANDING AREA AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
WHAT?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, ENUS?
TELL YOUR SISTER


TO HAVE WINSLOW GUIDE THE SHUTTLE TOWARDS US.
WE'LL HAVE HIM LAND IT HERE. IT'S OKAY IF HE CRASHES IT.

YO
WL
IT'S OKAY..... ENUS HAS A SPECIAL POWER.....
THE PEOPLE AROUND HER WON'T DIE.....
yowl
yowl
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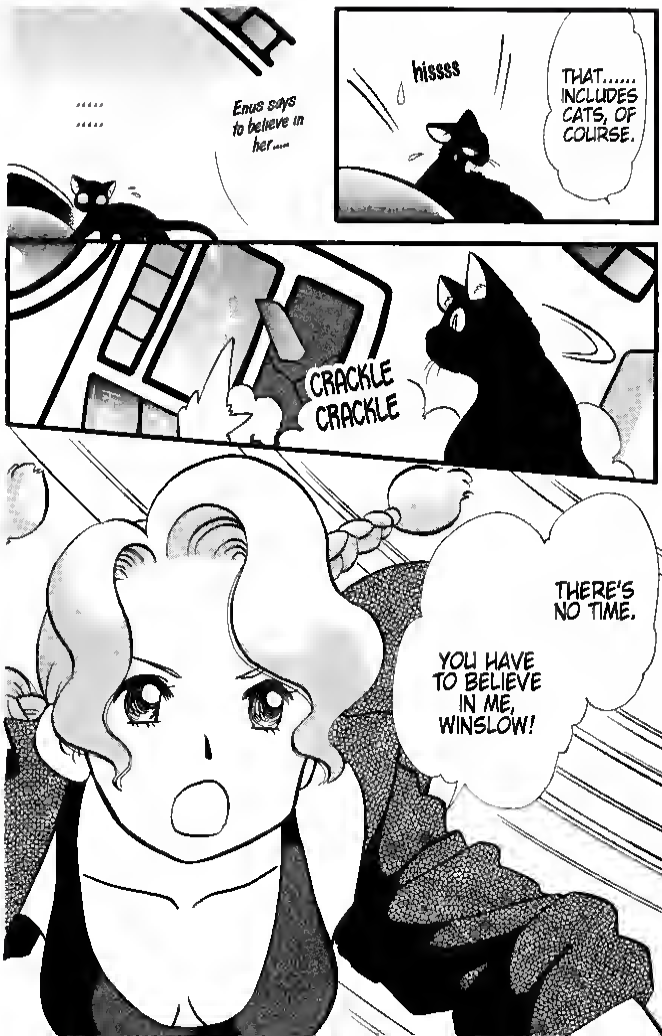
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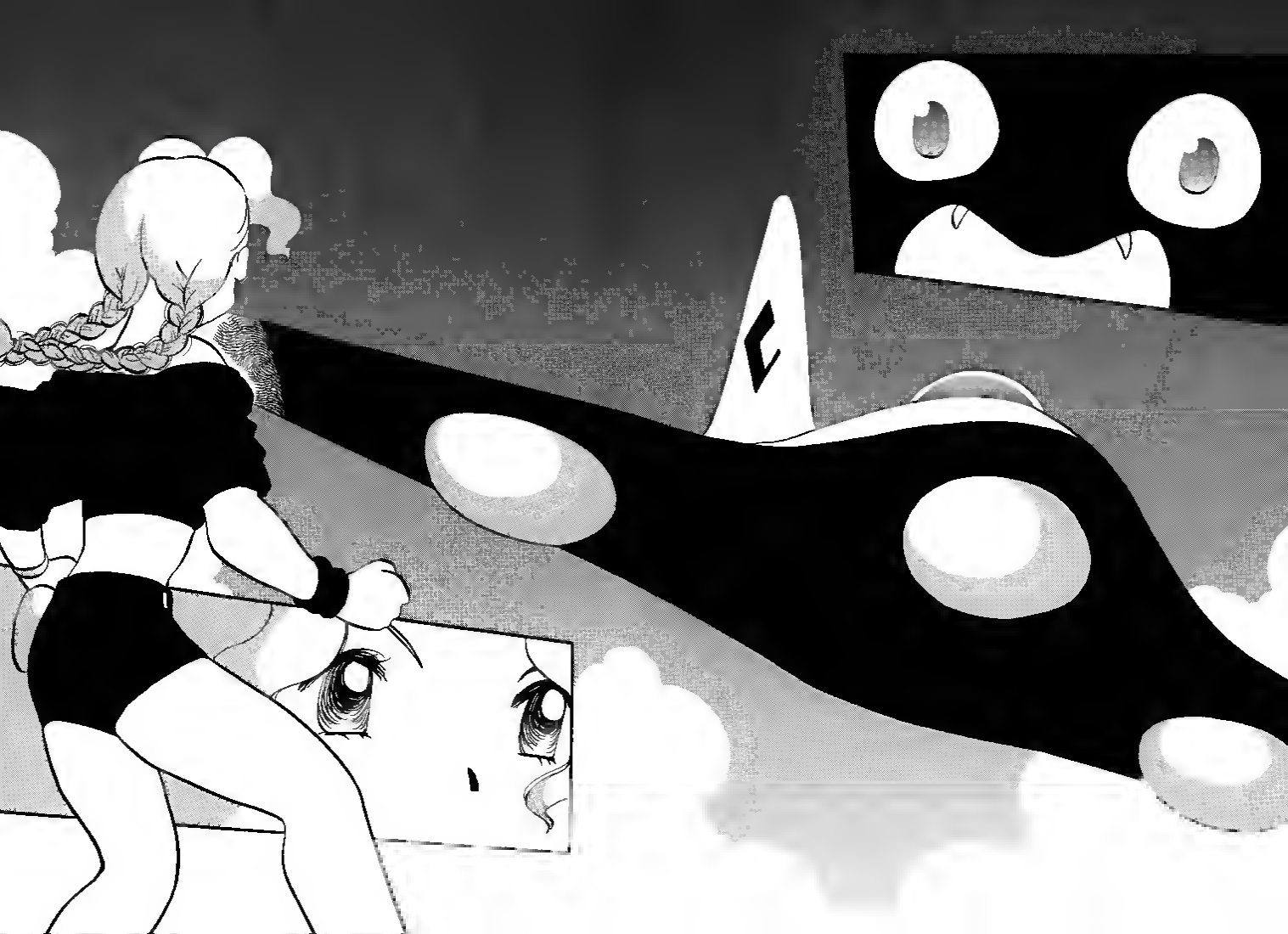
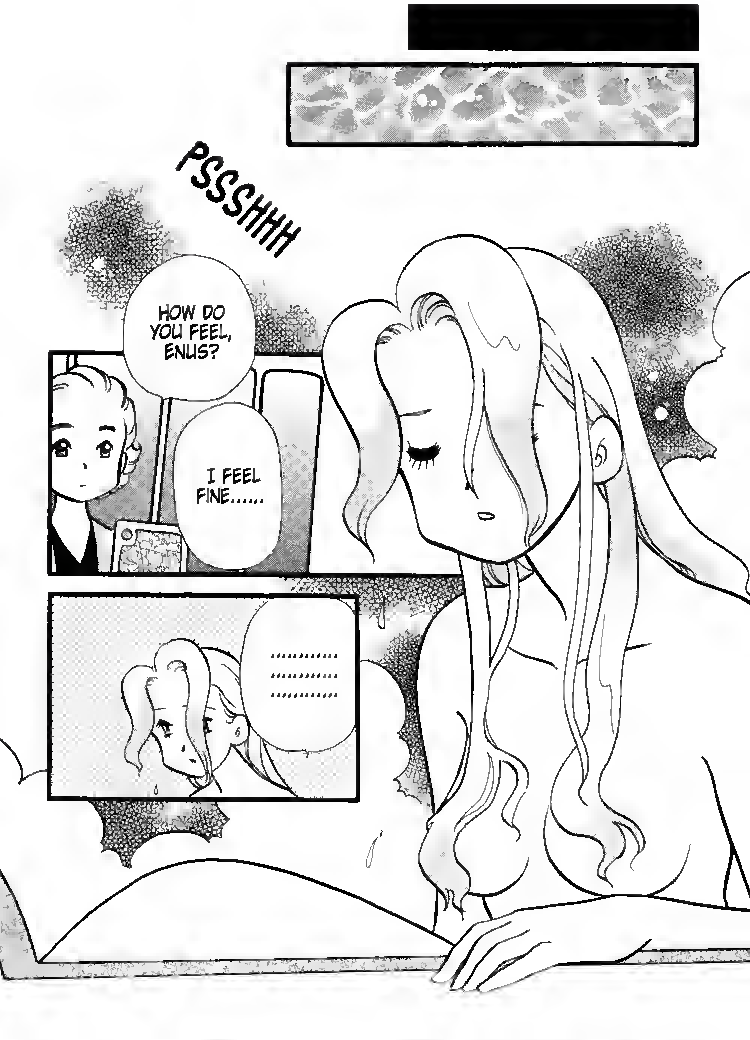
Emus says to believe in her....
hissss
THAT..... INCLUDES CATS, OF COURSE.
CRACKLE CRACKLE
THERE'S NO TIME.
YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE IN ME, WINSLOW!

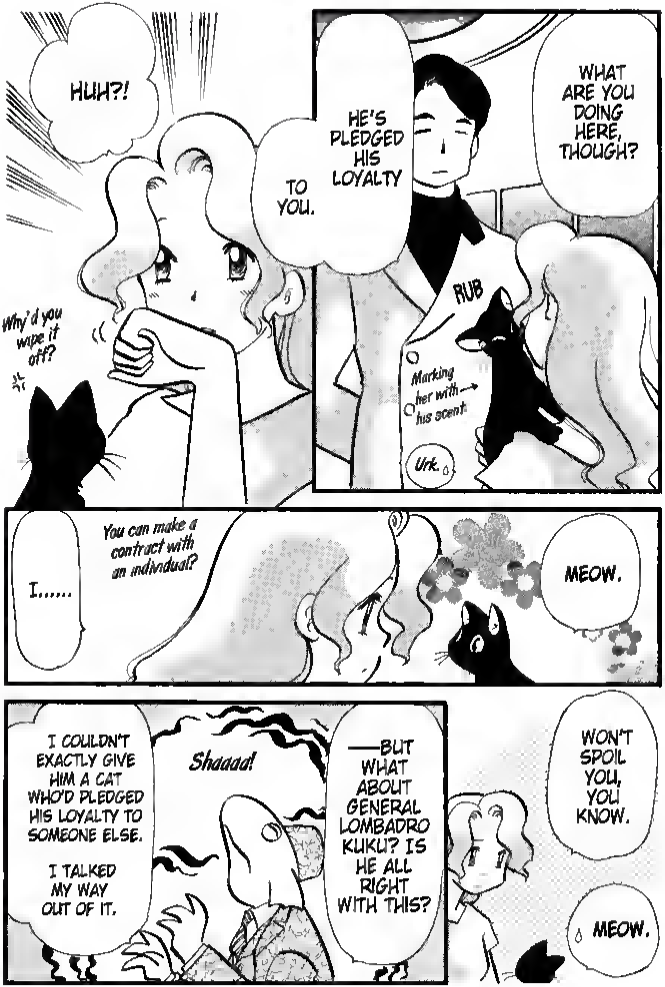


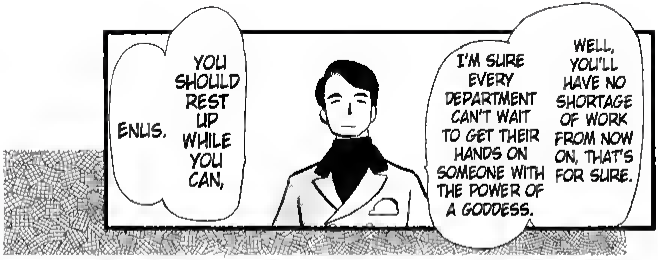
WEEOO
WEEOO
WEEOO

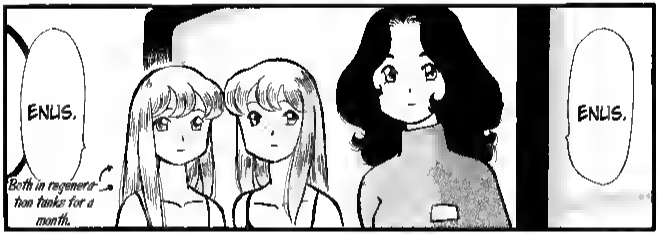

PSSSHHH
HOW DO YOU FEEL, ENUS?
I FEEL FINE.....
.....
.....
.....

I THINK MY BREASTS GREW AGAIN.....
ENUS.
YOUR HIGHNESS.
YES, THANKS TO YOU.
YOU'RE ALL RIGHT!
I'm sorry.
WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SHUTTLE WAS MY FAULT.
YES, IT WAS YOUR FAULT, ANAS.
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN TRAINING ENOUGH.

In a regeneration tank for two months.
In a regeneration tank for a month.
You were injured worse than anyone else
WELL, WE DID ALL HAVE TO BE PUT IN RE-GENERATION TANKS, BUT.....
THE ANTI-GRAVITY SYSTEM HELD OUT UNTIL JUST BEFORE THE SHUTTLE CRASHED.
ALL THE PASSEN-GERS ARE FINE.
MROW.
WIN-SLOW!
In a regeneration tank for three weeks.
Good work.
MROWWW!
I'M GLAD YOU'RE ALL RIGHT.

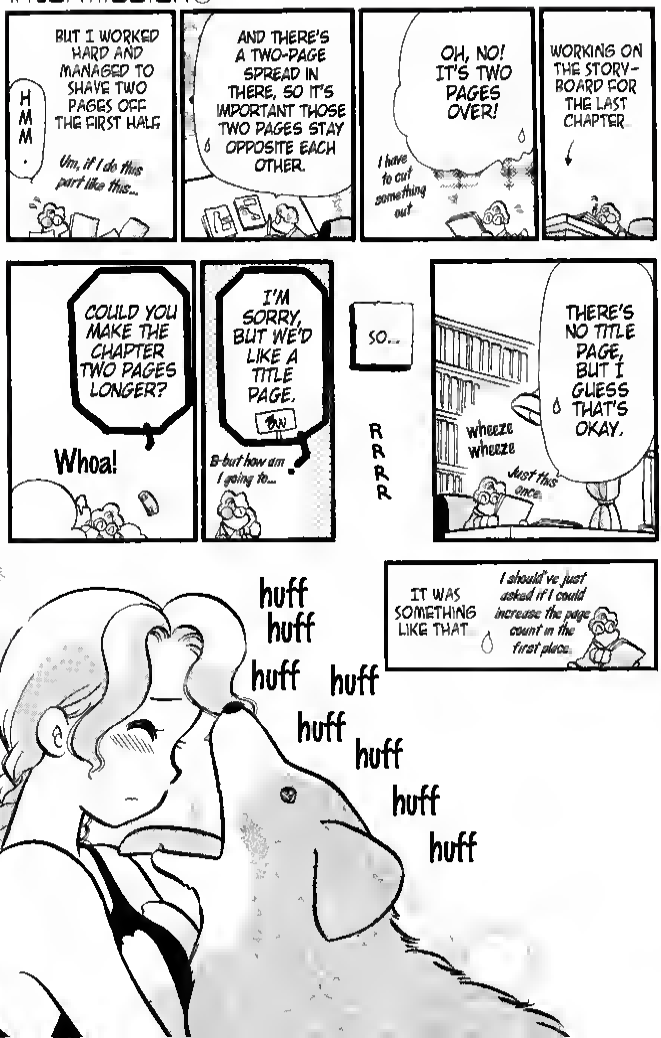

HUH?!
HE'S PLEDGED HIS LOYALTY TO YOU.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE, THOUGH?
RUB
Marking her with his scent.
Urk.
Why'd you wipe it off?
You can make a contract with an individual?
I.....
MEOW.
I COULDN'T EXACTLY GIVE HIM A CAT WHO'D PLEDGED HIS LOYALTY TO SOMEONE ELSE.
I TALKED MY WAY OUT OF IT.
Shaaaa!
——BUT WHAT ABOUT GENERAL LOMBADRO KUKU? IS HE ALL RIGHT WITH THIS?
WON'T SPOIL YOU, YOU KNOW.
MEOW.


ENUS.
YOU SHOULD REST UP WHILE YOU CAN,
I'M SURE EVERY DEPARTMENT CAN'T WAIT TO GET THEIR HANDS ON SOMEONE WITH THE POWER OF A GODDESS.
WELL, YOU'LL HAVE NO SHORTAGE OF WORK FROM NOW ON, THAT'S FOR SURE.


ENUS.
Both in regeneration tanks for a month.
ENUS.

Experiencing it mentally.
Mmm.
It's not back yet.

It was the year 2264 A.D.
April Erus, an intelligence operative with the power of a goddess,
was 16 years old.
THE END


HMM.
BUT I WORKED HARD AND MANAGED TO SHAVE TWO PAGES OFF THE FIRST HALF
Um, if I do this part like this...
AND THERE'S A TWO-PAGE SPREAD IN THERE, SO IT'S IMPORTANT THOSE TWO PAGES STAY OPPOSITE EACH OTHER.
OH, NO! IT'S TWO PAGES OVER!
I have to cut something out
WORKING ON THE STORY-BOARD FOR THE LAST CHAPTER...
COULD YOU MAKE THE CHAPTER TWO PAGES LONGER?
Whoa!
I'M SORRY, BUT WE'D LIKE A TITLE PAGE.
B-but how am I going to...
SO...
RRRR
THERE'S NO TITLE PAGE, BUT I GUESS THAT'S OKAY.
wheeze wheeze
Just this once.
IT WAS SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
I should've just asked if I could increase the page count in the first place.
huff huff huff huff huff huff huff huff huff

ENUS SEEMS SO PROACTIVE. MAYBE IT'S HER YOUTH.
Only in the final chapter, though.
WELL, ANYWAY.
IN THE LAST CHAPTER, ENUS FINALLY....
WELL, SHE REALLY ONLY WAS LIKE THAT IN THE FINAL CHAPTER....
AND HOW ABOUT ME? WHY DIDN'T I GET TO DO ANY-THING?
Uh, I didn't have enough pages...
I didn't know what to have her do...
You wasted plenty of pages on things that didn't even matter.
Uh, you see...

Afterword

WHOA,
ANOTHER VOLUME-LONG STORY!
WELL, TRANSISTOR VENUS IS ON ITS FIFTH VOLUME NOW.
I'M TAKEMOTO IZUMI LET'S SKIP THE FORMALITIES.
IT TURNED INTO EIGHT BEFORE I KNEW IT!
I SAID THAT IN THE BEGINNING, AND THEN...
I THINK THIS ONE WILL BE ABOUT FOUR CHAPTERS LONG.
AS USUAL ...
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FINALLY, I'LL END UP WITH A 60-VOLUME EPIC LIKE THE RECORDS OF THREE KINGDOMS!
AND THEN THE ONE AFTER THAT WILL BE FOUR.
I BET THE NEXT ONE'LL BE TWO VOLUMES LONG.
Winslow (temporarily Lo Baro Teloh)
He's just yawning
PROBABLY.
THAT WON'T HAPPEN.

Well, this story was about the 16-year-old April Enus
She'll be back to her normal age next volume I think.
Actually, maybe I'll go even further and make her 14——

The story will continue on in the same vein in volume 6

Ujauja

Transistor Venus

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